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**NOTICE OF MEETING** 

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**Hamilton Veterans Committee** 

Thursday, 1998 March 26 11:00 o'clock a.m. Room 264, City Hall **ROYERRAMENT** DOCUMENTS

Charlene Touzel, Secretary
Hamilton Veterans Committee

# AGENDA

1. <u>WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBERS</u> (no copy)

New Members Alderman Bernie Morelli and Alderman Dave Wilson

2. **APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS** 

Current President, United Council of Veterans; Member at Large, United Council of Veterans; and, Current President of a Recognized Veterans Club

Note: The appointment of the two Members recommended by the Hamilton Veterans Committee will not be made at this meeting, but at the Committee's next meeting

- 3. **NEXT MEETING DATE** (no copy)
- 4. OTHER BUSINESS
- 5. **ADJOURNMENT**

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# CITY OF HAMILTON

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DATE:

1998 March 3

REPORT TO:

Chairman and Members

Hamilton Veterans Committee

FROM:

Charlene Touzel, Secretary Hamilton Veterans Committee City Clerk's Department

**SUBJECT:** 

Hamilton Veterans Committee - Appointment of Members

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Subjoined is Section 14 of the FIFTH Report of the Parks and Recreation Committee for 1996 respecting the Terms of Reference for the Hamilton Veterans Committee as adopted by City Council at its meeting held 1996 March 26.

14. That the Hamilton Veterans Committee's Terms of Reference be amended to read as follows:

That the Hamilton Veterans Committee consist of one Member of City Council; the current President of the United Council of Veterans; a Veteran elected at large by the United Council of Veterans; a current President of a recognized Hamilton Veterans Club; and, one war Veteran and one member (either a veteran or a person from the Regular Forces) recommended by the Veterans holding the previously mentioned appointments.

Listed below are the current members of the Hamilton Veterans Committee:

Alderman Bernie Morelli (Member of City Council)

Alderman Dave Wilson (Member of City Council)

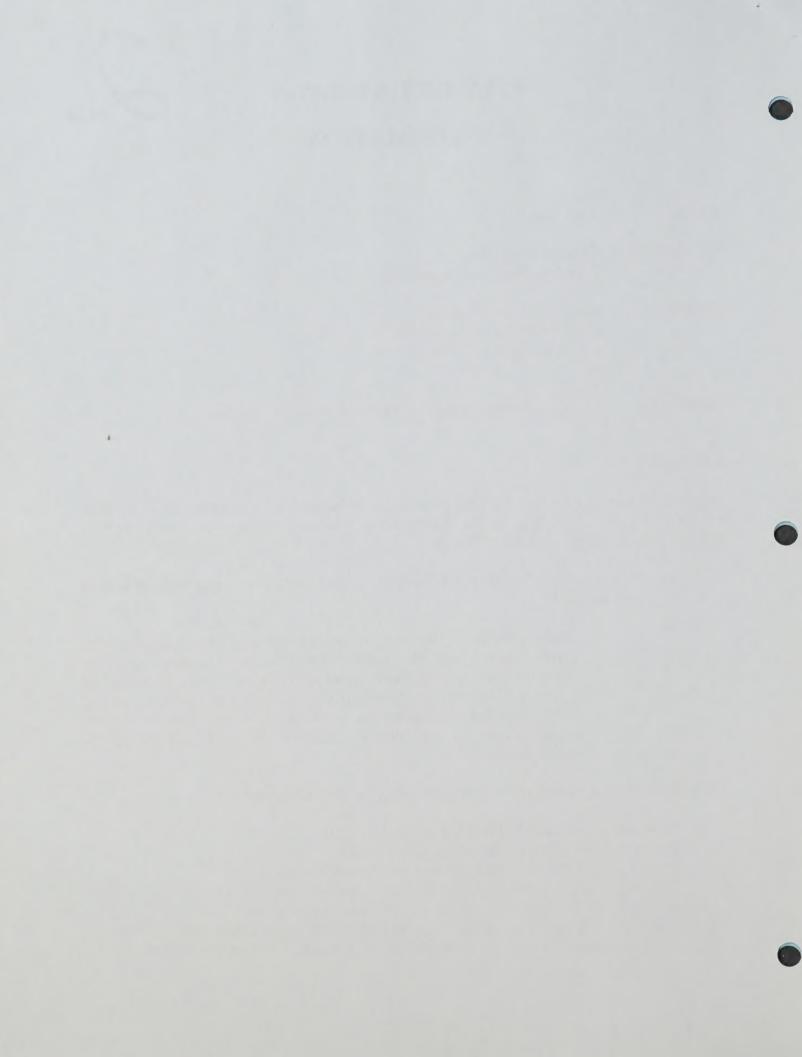
Frank Caldwell (Current President of a recognized Veterans Club)

Jack McFarland (Current President, United Council of Veterans)

Bill Eisan (Member elected at large, United Council of Veterans)

Tom Dean (Member recommended by the Hamilton Veterans Committee)

Lloyd Shephard (Veteran recommended by the Hamilton Veterans Committee)



Attached is a copy of a letter dated 1998 February 24 from the Secretary, United Council of Veterans, advising of its current President and its nominees for member at large on the Hamilton Veterans Committee.

Before appointments are made, the Hamilton Veterans Committee needs to clarify the following:

- a) Should the United Council of Veterans be recommending a list of nominees for the member at large position, or simply recommend one member?
- b) Who recommends the appointment of a current President of a recognized Veterans Club?

attached



# United Council of Veterans' Associations

of Hamilton and District

P.O. BOX 805, HAMILTON, ONTARIO



#### AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS

Army, Navy and Air Force Veterans' Assoc. No. 153

British Imperial Veterans' Assoc.

Canadian Corps Association Unit 45

Canadian Corps Association Unit 57 R.H.L.I. Association

Royal Canadian Legion Branch No. 58, East Hamilton Branch

Royal Canadian Legion Branch No. 315 (Polish War Veterans)

Royal Canadian Legion Branch No. 551, Waterdown

Royal Canadian Legion Branch No.

Firestone War Veterans' Assoc.

ourth Canadian Infantry Battalion

Hamilton Civic Employees' War Veterans' Association

Hamilton Firefighters War Veterans' Association

Hamilton Naval Veterans' Assoc.

Hamilton Police War Veterans' Association

Her Majesty's Army and Navy Veterans' Society of Hamilton

National Steel Car Veterans' Assoc.

19th Battalion Association

Polish Army Veterans' Assoc. of America, Post 163

Polish Combatants' Assoc. in Canada, Inc., Br. 23

R.C.A.F. Association No. 431 (Krakow) Wing

South African War Veterans' Assoc.

Stelco War Veterans' Association

Veterans' Service League

War Amputations Association of Canada (Hamilton Branch)

The War Pensioners of Canada, Hamilton Branch

Post 18 American Legion

Federation of British Canadian Veterans in Canada February 24, 1998

Mrs. Charlene Touzel, Secretary Hamilton Veterans Committee 71 Main Street West Hamilton, Ontario L8P 4Y5

Dear Mrs. Touzel:

Please be advised that the United Council of Veterans at its meeting held February 19, 1998 held its annual election and the President for the 1998-1999 term is Comrade Jack McFarland.

At that meeting, the names of Comrade Michael Roach and Comrade Bill Eisan were to be submitted to the Hamilton Veterans Committee as the United Council's Member-at-large on the Committee.

Please place this item on your next agenda so that the necessary appointments can be made.

Yours truly,

Ruth Thorne, Secretary
United Council of Veterans



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## **NOTICE OF MEETING**

**Hamilton Veterans Committee** 

COVERNMENT DOCUMENTS

Thursday, 1998 May 7 4:00 o'clock p.m. Room 264, City Hall

> Charlene Touzel, Secretary Hamilton Veterans Committee

#### AGENDA

- 1. ELECTION OF OFFICERS (no copy)
  - a) Chairman
  - b) Vice-Chairman

# 2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Minutes of the Hamilton Veterans Committee for its meetings held:

- a) 1997 September 25 (Committee)
- b) 1997 September 25 (With Veterans Associations)
- c) 1998 March 26

# 3. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- a) Provincial Bill re: An Act to amend the Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act to name Highway 416 Veterans' Memorial Parkway
- b) War Monuments of Canada World Wide Web Site
- c) Canadian Merchant Navy Veterans Association Plaque Sam Lawrence Park



d) Memorandum from Secretary, VE Day Celebrations Committee re: Invoice for Purchase of Additional Medals

## 4. PLANNING FOR 1998 DECORATION DAY SERVICE

## 5. OTHER BUSINESS

Hamilton Firefighters Band - Participation at Remembrance Day Parade (no copy)

# 6. **ADJOURNMENT**

The Committee will adjourn at 5:00 p.m. for a Dinner Planning Meeting and will reconvene at 7:00 p.m. in Room 233, City Hall, to meet with representatives from the various Hamilton Veterans' Associations to make the necessary plans for the 1998 Decoration Day Service.



Thursday, 1997 September 25 3:30 o'clock p.m. Room 233, City Hall

#### The Hamilton Veterans Committee met.

There were Present: Frank Caldwell, Chairperson

Jack McFarland, Vice-Chairperson Alderman William McCulloch

Bill Eisan Lloyd Shephard

Regrets:

Tom Dean

Also Present:

Rick Zbucki, Manager, Cemeteries Division

William Freeman, 3154 Trinity Church Road, Mount Hope Eva Freeman, 3154 Trinity Church Road, Mount Hope Patricia Williams, 28 Melvin Avenue, Hamilton

Charlene Touzel, Secretary

#### 1. CHAIRPERSON'S REMARKS

No Chairperson's remarks were made at this time.

#### 2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The Committee was in receipt of the Minutes of the Hamilton Veterans Committee for its meetings held 1997 May 8. These Minutes were adopted as circulated.

#### 4. **DELEGATIONS**

The Committee agreed to move this item up on the agenda given that all parties were in attendance.

#### a) The Cross of Sacrifice, Hamilton Cemetery - Date Inscription

The Committee was in receipt of a letter dated 1997 August 28 from Mr. William Freeman, 3154 Trinity Church Road, Mount Hope, respecting the Cross of Sacrifice in the Hamilton Cemetery.

Mr. William Freeman and his wife Mrs. Eva Freeman, appeared before the Committee to advise that the dates of World War I are inscribed on the monument as 1914-1919 and suggested that the inscription be corrected as history books recognize the years of World War I as 1914-1918.

Alderman McCulloch advised that the monument was erected in 1923 by the War Graves Commission and that the Committee does not have the right to amended its inscription. Alderman McCulloch added that the Imperial War Graves Commission would not have permitted the erection of a monument with dates they had considered inappropriate and could only conclude that they meant to inscribe the years as 1914-1919 given that servicemen were still overseas until 1919.

Alderman McCulloch agreed to forward copies of old newspaper articles that he has collected on the Cross of Sacrifice in the Hamilton Cemetery to Mr. and Mrs. Freeman which explain the reasons behind the date inscription.

#### b) Placing of Flowers on Veterans Markers in Field of Honour

The Committee was in receipt of a letter dated 1997 August 27 from Mrs. Patricia Williams, 28 Melvin Avenue, Hamilton and a letter dated 1997 August 28 from Mrs. Eva

Freeman, 3154 Trinity Church Road, Mount Hope, requesting permission to place saddles with flowers on Veterans markers in the Field of Honour, Woodland Cemetery.

Both Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Freeman were in attendance and expressed their concerns respecting the currently policy on the placing of flowers, wreaths, etc. on Veterans graves in the Field of Honour.

Mrs. Williams expressed her frustration that any flowers or wreaths placed on Veterans graves in the Field of Honour are removed by Cemetery Staff and suggested that saddles, plastic-coated hangers that fit over the top of the headstone, be permitted in the Field of Honour, so that families can place something on the grave site of loved ones but not interfere with grass cutting and maintenance of the Cemetery grounds.

Rick Zbucki, Manager, Cemeteries Division, appeared before the Committee and circulated photographs showing the condition of the Field of Honour when wreaths, flowers, etc. are left on the Veterans graves. Mr. Zbucki added that the monument saddles are permitted in the other Sections of the Cemetery, but not in the Field of Honour because they do damage the face of the marker and leave rust deposits on the stone.

Rick Zbucki advised Mrs. Williams and Mrs. Freeman of the City's current policy which states that no flowers, plants (artificial or real) or other articles may be placed on a veteran's grave and nothing shall be affixed to a veteran's marker in the Field of Honour at Woodland Cemetery but added however, that winter wreaths on stands are permitted on veteran's graves from November 1 to April 1 each year and that individuals wishing to plant flowers in memory of a fallen comrade can contact the Cemetery Office to have them planted in the Cemetery's Garden of Remembrance.

The Committee agreed that the Field of Honour should be maintained in a neat and orderly fashion to honour the Veterans buried therein.

Considerable discussion ensued on this matter and the Committee approved the following:

That no change be made to the existing policy respecting the hanging of wreaths, etc. and/or the planting of flowers at Veterans graves in the Field of Honour.

Alderman McCulloch commended Mr. Zbucki and his Staff for the work that they have done at the City's Cemeteries.

#### 3. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

a) Letter dated 1997 August 4 from War Monuments Project Co-Ordinator, StemNet -Internet Site for War Monuments

The Committee was in receipt of a copy of a letter dated 1997 August 4 from StemNet to the Regional Chairman requesting information on all war monuments in the City of Hamilton for inclusion in their world-wide Internet site where the information and photographs can be accessed by all Internet users.

The Secretary circulated photographs of the following monuments in the City of Hamilton:

- a) Cenotaph in Gore Park
- b) Monument in Section 5, Field of Honour, Woodland Cemetery
- c) Monument in Section 18, Field of Honour, Woodland Cemetery
- d) Monument in Eastlawn Cemetery
- e) Hungarian Monument in Woodland Cemetery
- f) Dieppe Memorial at R.H.L.I. Clubhouse
- g) Memorial Clock Tower at the corner of King and Jarvis Streets

The Committee could not think of any additional monuments that should be added to the list and the Secretary was directed to forward pictures and the necessary information on each of these war monuments to StemNet for inclusion in its project.

# b) Letter dated 1997 August 26 from the Contact Mariniers Canada - Participation in 1997 Remembrance Day Parade

The Committee was in receipt of a letter dated 1997 August 26 from the Contact Mariniers Canada Royal Netherlands Marine Corps Veterans Association expressing their desire to participate in the Remembrance Day Parade on Sunday, 1997 November 9. The Committee agreed to add them to Section 4 of the Parade Orders.

Alderman McCulloch added that the Contact Mariniers also want to make a presentation to the Mayor and it was agreed that a representative from their organization be invited to attend the luncheon following the Parade for this purpose. Alderman McCulloch agreed to contact them in this regard.

Bill Eisan also brought to the Committee's attention that the 23 (Ham) Service Battalion Association has approached him expressing its interest in taking part in the Parade. The Committee agreed to add this group to Section 1 of the Parade Orders.

The Secretary was asked to send copies of the Parade Orders to both groups listed above.

#### c) Request from Alderman Wilson re: Dieppe Memorial

The Committee was in receipt of an e-mail message from Alderman Dave Wilson requesting the Committee's thoughts on erecting a memorial in memory of the those who fought and were killed in Dieppe.

The Committee discussed this matter at some length and agreed that while it supported the erection of memorials in memory of fallen and departed comrades, it did not feel that the City should erect a monument that is specific to one of the many battles that occurred in World War II.

The Secretary was asked to remind Alderman Wilson that a Dieppe Memorial has been erected at the R.H.L.I. Clubhouse at 1353 Barton Street East, which the Committee feels is appropriate in light of the fact that R.H.L.I. troops were in Dieppe, but feels that the Cenotaph which was dedicated in 1923 to all Veterans of World War I, World War II and the Korea War, serves as the City's memorial to all Veterans.

#### 5. PARADES AND SERVICES

#### a) Decoration Day Parade and Service - Suggested Change in Format

Frank Caldwell, Chairman, advised Committee Members that he has received a lot of feedback from Veterans that would like to do away with the afternoon Parade and Service on Decoration Day. Mr. Caldwell suggested that the afternoon Parade and Service be eliminated and that the Committee focus its efforts on the morning Parade and Service at the Cemetery.

Jack McFarland added that this matter was raised at a meeting of the United Council of Veterans and was supported.

Considerable discussion ensued on this matter and the Committee approved the following:

That the format of the Annual Decoration Day Parade and Service held under the auspices of the Hamilton Veterans Committee, the purpose of which is to decorate the graves of fallen and departed Veterans, be changed to consist only of a morning Parade and Service to be held on the second Sunday in the month of June

each year, alternated between Woodland Cemetery (Sections 5 and 8) and Hamilton Cemetery.

#### b) 1997 Remembrance Day Parade and Services

The Committee was in receipt of a letter dated 1997 September 19 from Stan Genno, Director of Marketing, CHML 900 Hometown Radio to the City's Event Promotion Officer respecting their promotional plans for Remembrance Day.

Jack McFarland advised Committee Members that he recently met with CHML and Peter Booker, Department of Public Works and Traffic, to discuss CHML's plans to hold a three hour live Remembrance Day broadcast on Tuesday, 1997 November 11 from the Cenotaph area in Gore Park.

Mr. McFarland indicated that a tent will be erected at the east end of the Cenotaph area and was assured that the broadcast will in no way interfere with the Committee's activities.

The Committee felt that the broadcast would heighten awareness of Remembrance Day and supported CHML's initiative. The Secretary was directed to send a letter to CHML asking for their assurances that the program will in no way interfere with the City's Memorial Service, that CHML will be making all of its own arrangements in connection with this broadcast, and that the list of Veterans to be interviewed on the November 11th broadcast be provided by the Hamilton Veterans Committee.

The Committee was advised that because the broadcast is live, the Committee must start its Service at 10:45 a.m. sharp and that the two minutes of silence must be held at 11:00 a.m. sharp. Frank Caldwell, Chairman, indicated that every effort will be made to meet this requirement.

#### 6. OTHER BUSINESS

#### a) Meeting with District Director, Veterans Affairs Canada

Committee Members were advised that the next information meeting with the District Director, Veterans Affairs Canada, will be held on Thursday, 1997 October 30 at 10:00 a.m. in the Board Room at Veterans Affairs Canada's Office located at 350 King Street East, Suite 217.

#### b) Letter from The Canadian Club of Hamilton

The Committee was in receipt of an added letter dated 1997 September 2 from the Managing Secretary, The Canadian Club of Hamilton, requesting an opportunity to lay a wreath at the Remembrance Day Service on 1997 November 11. This request was approved by the Committee.

The Committee was further advised that The Canadian Club wishes to make a presentation to the Hamilton Veterans Committee for its financial contribution to their luncheon on 1996 November 11 and that invitations will follow. The Committee indicated that while they would not be able to provide any funding for The Canadian Club luncheon this year, they would send representatives to receive the Award on behalf of the Hamilton Veterans Committee.

#### c) Remaining Funds - Use to Purchase Missing Headstones

The Committee Secretary advised Committee Members that to date, five headstones are still outstanding in the Field of Honour. The Committee approved the following:

That any remaining funds in the Hamilton Veterans Committee's budget after all Remembrance Day expenditures have been paid, be used to purchase headstones for some or all of the five Veterans who are buried in the Field of Honour, Woodland Cemetery, and still have no headstone on their grave.

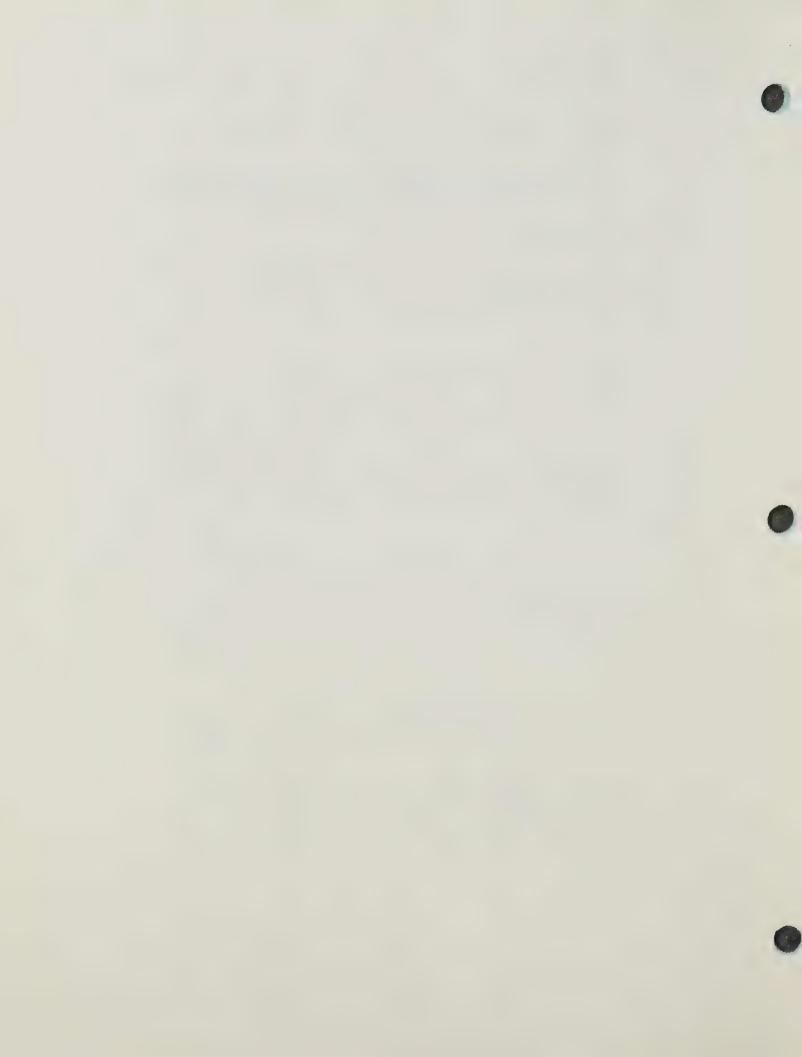
#### 7. ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned for a Dinner Planning Meeting and would reconvene at 7:00 p.m. to meet with the Hamilton and area Veterans Associations to formulate plans for the 1997 Remembrance Day Parade and Services.

Taken as read and approved,

Frank Caldwell, Chairman Hamilton Veterans Committee

Charlene Touzel, Secretary



Thursday, 1997 September 25 7:00 o'clock p.m. Room 233, City Hall

The Hamilton Veterans Committee met with representatives of the various Veterans Organizations of Hamilton and area to formulate plans for the 1997 Remembrance Day Parade and Services.

There were Present:

Frank Caldwell, Chairperson

Jack McFarland, Vice-Chairperson Alderman William McCulloch

Bill Eisan Lloyd Shephard

Regrets:

Tom Dean

Also Present:

Mike Roach, R.H.L.I.

Robert Moses, Her Majesty's Army and Navy Veterans

Winston Webb, Hamilton Police War Veterans

Efrem Kulik, R.C.L., Branch 315

Pius Peters, Knights of Columbus Veterans

Ruth Thorne, R.C.A.F., 447 Wing Dorothy Simpson, R.C.A.F. W.D.'s

Larry Hannigan, Hamilton Naval Veterans Association George Thorne, National Steel Car War Veterans Association Andy Tallach, National Steel Car War Veterans Association

Ronald Fox, Hamilton Signals Association

Jim Andrew, British Imperial Veterans Association

Charlene Touzel, Secretary

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER - UPDATE ON CURRENT ISSUES

Frank Caldwell, Chairman, Hamilton Veterans Committee, called the meeting to order and brought the representatives from the various Veterans Organizations up to date on the following issues that were discussed by the Committee at its meeting held earlier today: the inscription on the Cross of Sacrifice at the Hamilton Cemetery, the City policy respecting the hanging of flowers, etc. on Veterans markers in the Field of Honour in Woodland Cemetery, the project of Stem Net to create a world-wide Internet site on war monuments, the live broadcast by CHML from the Cenotaph on November 11, and the upcoming information meeting with the District Director, Veterans Affairs Canada.

#### 2. CHANGES TO DECORATION DAY PARADE AND SERVICE

Mr. Caldwell also advised the representatives present that the Committee has received some feedback from Veterans respecting the Annual Decoration Day Parade and Service and that the Committee is recommending that the afternoon Parade and Service be eliminated, leaving only a morning Parade and Service at the Cemetery.

The representatives in attendance supported this recommendation given that the number of Veterans marching in the afternoon Parade is getting smaller every year.

#### 3. 1997 REMEMBRANCE DAY PARADE AND SERVICES

The Committee and the representatives of the Veterans Organizations present, made the following arrangements for the 1997 Remembrance Day Parade and Services:

Remembrance Day Parade and Service - Sunday, 1997 November 9

Parade Starting Time

10:15 a.m.

Parade Formation

Old Armouries (signs will be provided)

Order of March	Attached as Appendix "A"	
Parade Route	James - King - Cenotaph (Veterans on South leg, Militia on North Leg of King Street)	
Place of Service	Cenotaph	
Time of Service	10:45 a.m.	
Clergy	Reverend Aaron Orr	
Band	Navy Band	
Parade Commander	Frank Caldwell	
Parade Marshall	Jack McFarland	
Colour Marshall	Bill Eisan	
Saluting Officer	Colonel Forsyth	
Gun Crew and Honour Guard To be arranged with Militia		
Piper	Argylls - to be arranged with Militia	
Bugler	R.H.L.I to be arranged with Militia	
Veteran Accompanying Saluting Officer <u>John Hutcheon</u>		
U.N. Flag Bearer	Gerry Cully, Unit 26	
Veteran in Charge of Wreath Bearers Gerry Rattray - Mike Roach to confirm		
Choir	Dutch Choir suggested - Bill Eisan to advise of contact	
Dismissal	John and Rebecca Streets - Veterans	
	Hughson Street to the Armouries - Militia	
Fly Past	Canadian Warplane Heritage (weather permitting)	
Remembrance Day Service - Tuesday, 1997 November 11		
Time of Service	<u>10:45 a.m.</u>	
Place of Service	Fall in at Cenotaph	
Clergy	Reverend Aaron Orr	
Band	Salvation Army Band to confirm	
Colour Marshall	Bill Eisan	
Piper	Secretary to contact Militia	
Bugler	Secretary to contact Militia	
Veteran in Charge of Wreath Bearers Gerry Rattray - Mike Roach to confirm		

Honour Guard	Secretary to contact Militia
Choir	The Hamilton Children's Choir
Dismissal	At the Cenotaph
Fly Past	Canadian Warplane Heritage (weather permitting)

#### 4. OTHER BUSINESS

#### **Saluting Procedures**

Mike Roach raised the issue of saluting procedures to be followed at Veterans Parades and reminded everyone that it was approved by the Hamilton Veterans Committee before last year's Remembrance Day Parade, that Veterans will salute the Last Post and Lament but will not salute Reveille. Mr. Roach added that all Veterans must be consistent in their saluting procedures.

Bill Eisan advised that the Royal Canadian Legion, on the directive of Dominion Command, salute the Last Post and Reveille, but not the Lament.

It was agreed however, that since the Remembrance Day Parade and Services are held under the auspices of the Hamilton Veterans Committee, that Veterans participating in the City's Remembrance Day Parade and Services, salute the Last Post and Lament, but not Reveille.

The Secretary added that the saluting procedures will be included in the Parade Orders that are mailed to all Veterans Clubs.

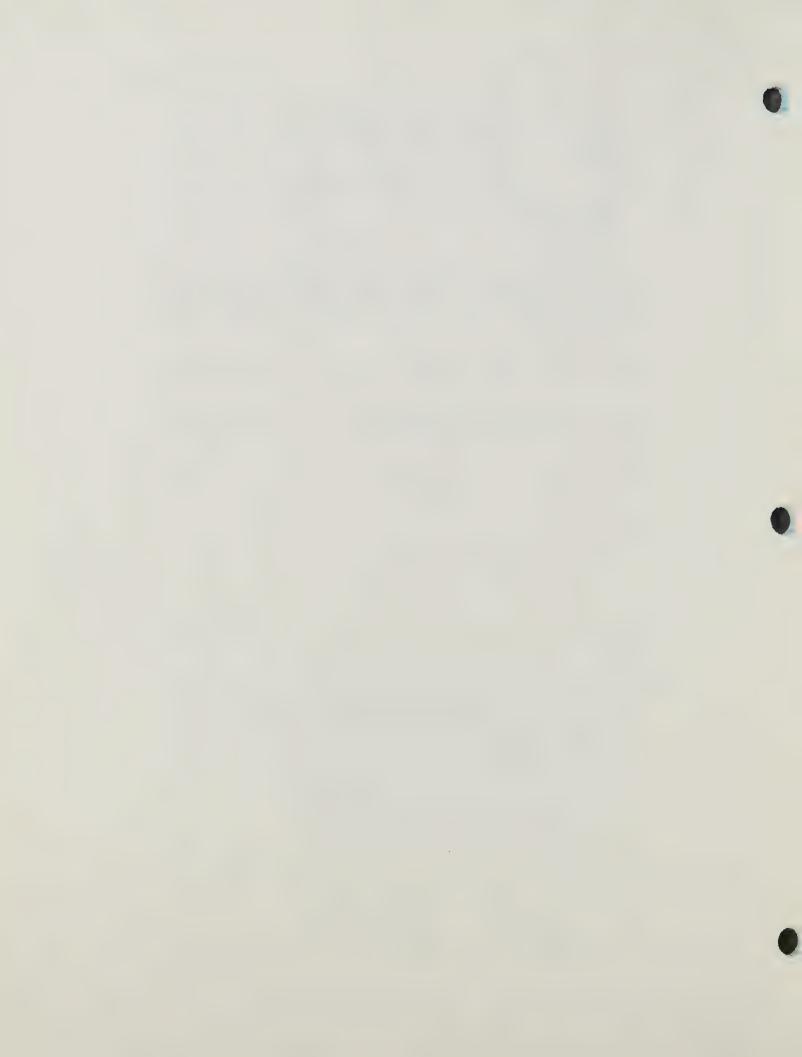
#### 5. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

Taken as read and approved,

Frank Caldwell, Chairman Hamilton Veterans Committee

Charlene Touzel, Secretary



Thursday, 1998 March 26 11:00 o'clock a.m. Room 264, City Hall

#### The Hamilton Veterans Committee met.

There were Present:

Frank Caldwell, Chairman Jack McFarland, Vice-Chairman Alderman Bernie Morelli

Tom Dean Bill Eisan Lloyd Shephard

Regrets:

Alderman Dave Wilson

Also Present:

Mike Roach

Charlene Touzel, Secretary

#### 1. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION OF NEW MEMBER

Frank Caldwell, Chairman, called the meeting to order and welcomed new Committee Member Alderman Bernie Morelli.

#### APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS 2.

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1998 March 3 from the Secretary, Hamilton Veterans Committee, respecting the above-noted matter.

After considerable discussion, the Committee agreed to amend the existing composition of the Hamilton Veterans Committee to include the past Chairman of the Hamilton Veterans Committee and to clarify that the appointment of a current President of a recognized Hamilton Veterans Club is made on the recommendation of the Presidents and Secretaries Association. Given the above, the Committee approved the following:

That the composition of the Hamilton Veterans Committee as adopted by City Council as Section 14 of the FIFTH Report of the Parks and Recreation Committee for 1996, be amended to read as follows:

> That the Hamilton Veterans Committee consist of at least one Member of City Council; the current President of the United Council of Veterans; a Veteran elected at large by the United Council of Veterans; a current President of a recognized Hamilton Veterans Club as recommended by the Presidents and Secretaries Association; the past Chairman of the Hamilton Veterans Committee; and, one war Veteran and one member (either a Veteran or a person from the Regular Forces) recommended by the Veterans holding the previously mentioned appointments.

b) That the following members be appointed to the Hamilton Veterans Committee for a term to expire 2000 November 30:

Jack McFarland Bill Eisan

(Current President of the United Council of Veterans) (Veteran elected at large by the United Council of

Frank Caldwell

(Current President of a recognized Veterans Club as recommended by the Presidents and Secretaries

Association)

Mike Roach Lloyd Shephard (Past Chairman of the Hamilton Veterans Committee) (War Veteran recommended by the Hamilton

Veterans Committee)

Tom Dean

(Person from the Regular Forces recommended by

the Hamilton Veterans Committee)

The Secretary was also asked to send a letter to the Secretary, United Council of Veterans, requesting that when the United Council of Veterans recommends the future appointment of a Veteran at large, that only one name be submitted for consideration.

#### 3. **NEXT MEETING DATE**

The Committee agreed to hold its next meeting on 1998 May 7 to make plans for the 1998 Decoration Day Service. The Committee would meet at 4:00 p.m. followed by a meeting with all Veterans Associations at 7:00 p.m.

#### 4. OTHER BUSINESS

### a) New Application Fee for Parade Permits

The Committee was advised that Regional Council, adopted a By-law in 1997 implementing User Fees for all Minor Special Event Applications for Road Closure, which would require all profit and non-profit groups, including Veterans groups, to pay a \$156.00 User Fee for each of their parades that required a road closure.

The Committee felt strongly that no Veterans and/or Military Service Parade should have to pay this User Fee. Alderman Morelli agreed that Veterans deserve a special status and indicated his support and the support of all Members of City and Regional Council for the Veterans of Hamilton and area.

The Committee was advised that Regional Chairman Cooke, on a CHML radio program aired earlier this morning, gave his assurances to the Veterans that they would not have to pay this User Fee. The Committee agreed to send a letter to Chairman Cooke expressing its gratitude to Regional Council, under Chairman Cooke's leadership, for the actions taken with respect to this matter.

#### b) Invitation to CHML re: Involvement in Remembrance Day Service

Given the success of CHML's live broadcast from the Cenotaph during last year's Remembrance Day Service, the Secretary was asked to send a letter to Mr. Roy Green, CHML, extending an invitation to once again participate in the City's 1998 Remembrance Day Service.

#### c) School Programs

Alderman Morelli advised that he would like to discuss the issue of getting Veterans out to local schools so that students are made aware of the significant contributions of our area Veterans.

Jack McFarland indicated that Veterans Affairs Canada has implemented a similar program and was happy to report that a group of local history teachers is also committed to including issues of remembrance in their curriculum.

#### 5. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

Taken as read and approved.

Frank Caldwell, Chairman Hamilton Veterans Committee

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# OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK MEMORANDUM

TO:

J. J. Schatz

City Clerk

Attention: Charlene Touzel, Secretary

**Veterans Committee** 

FROM:

Susan K. Reeder

Legislative Assistant

OUR FILE:

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SUBJECT: Provincial Bill

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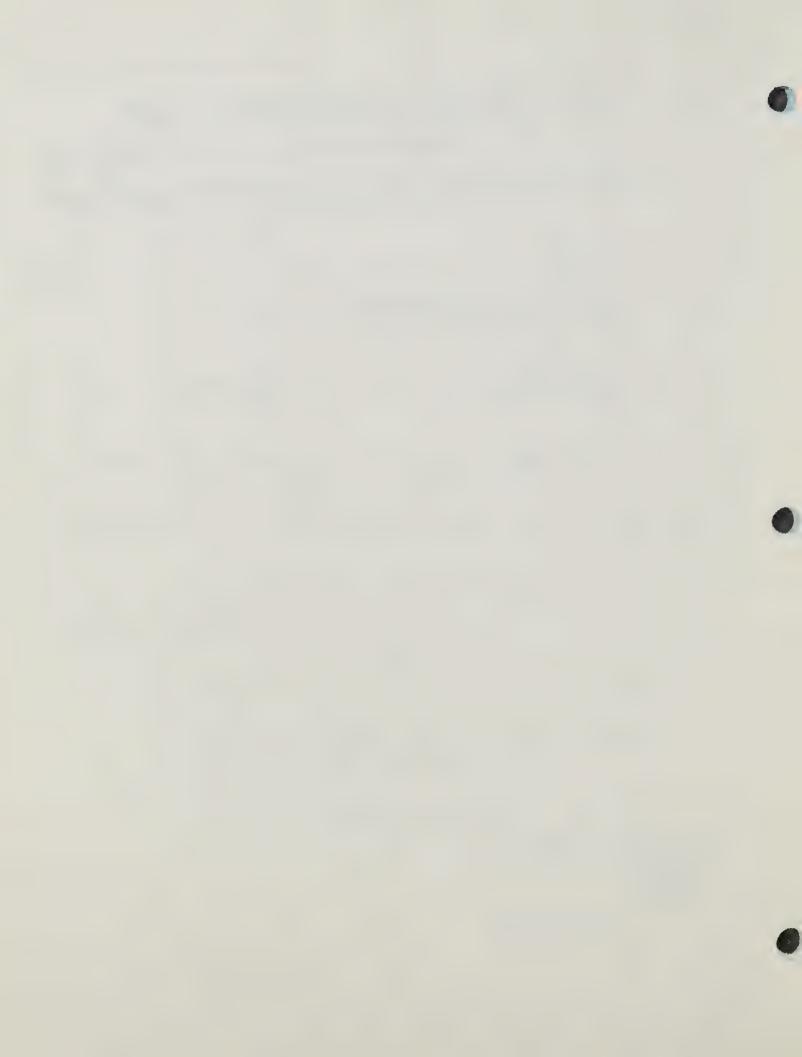
1997 December 3

Attached herewith for your review and appropriate action, is a copy of the following Provincial Bill:

Bill 162

An Act to amend the Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act to name Highway 416 Veterans' Memorial Parkway (1st Reading)

SKR/dbm Attachment.





1st SESSION, 36th LEGISLATURE, ONTARIO 46 ELIZABETH II, 1997

1<sup>re</sup> SESSION, 36<sup>e</sup> LÉGISLATURE, ONTARIO 46 ELIZABETH II, 1997

# **Bill 162**

Projet de loi 162

An Act to amend the Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act to name Highway 416 Veterans' Memorial Parkway Loi modifiant la Loi sur
l'aménagement des voies publiques et
des transports en commun pour
nommer la voie publique 416
Promenade commémorative
des anciens combattants

#### Mr. Baird

M. Baird

#### Private Member's Bill

Projet de loi de député

1st Reading November 17, 1997

2nd Reading

3rd Reading

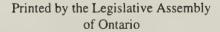
Royal Assent

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#### EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Bill amends the *Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act* to name Highway 416 the Veterans' Memorial Parkway.

### NOTE EXPLICATIVE

Le projet de loi modifie la Loi sur l'aménagement des voies publiques et des transports en commun pour nommer la voie publique 416 Promenade commémorative des anciens combattants.

An Act to amend the **Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act** to name Highway 416 Veterans' Memorial Parkway

Loi modifiant la Loi sur l'aménagement des voies publiques et des transports en commun pour nommer la voie publique 416 Promenade commémorative des anciens combattants

Preamble

We, the people of Ontario, are forever grateful to the thousands of dedicated men and women who courageously and unselfishly gave their lives in service to Canada in wars and in peacekeeping efforts. Our debt to them can never be repaid.

We are also forever grateful to Canada's veterans who demonstrated extraordinary effort in fighting to preserve our free and democratic society.

We and future generations must never forget the contribution of all those men and women. to whom we owe so much. As a gesture of our respect, we seek to honour their memory by naming Highway 416, the Veterans' Memorial Parkway.

Therefore, Her Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of the Province of Ontario, enacts as follows:

1. The Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act is amended by adding the following section:

Highway 416

36.1 The part of the King's Highway designated as controlled-access Highway 416 shall be known in English as the Veterans' Memorial Parkway and in French as Promenade commémorative des anciens combat-

Commencement

2. This Act comes into force on the day it receives Royal Assent.

Short title

3. The short title of this Act is the Veterans' Memorial Parkway Act, 1997.

La population de l'Ontario est à jamais recon- Préambule naissante aux milliers d'hommes et de femmes qui ont courageusement et généreusement donné leur vie au service du Canada dans des guerres et lors de missions de maintien de la paix. Notre dette envers eux ne pourra jamais être acquittée.

La population de l'Ontario est également à jamais reconnaissante aux anciens combattants du Canada qui ont fait preuve d'efforts extraordinaires dans la lutte afin de préserver notre société libre et démocratique.

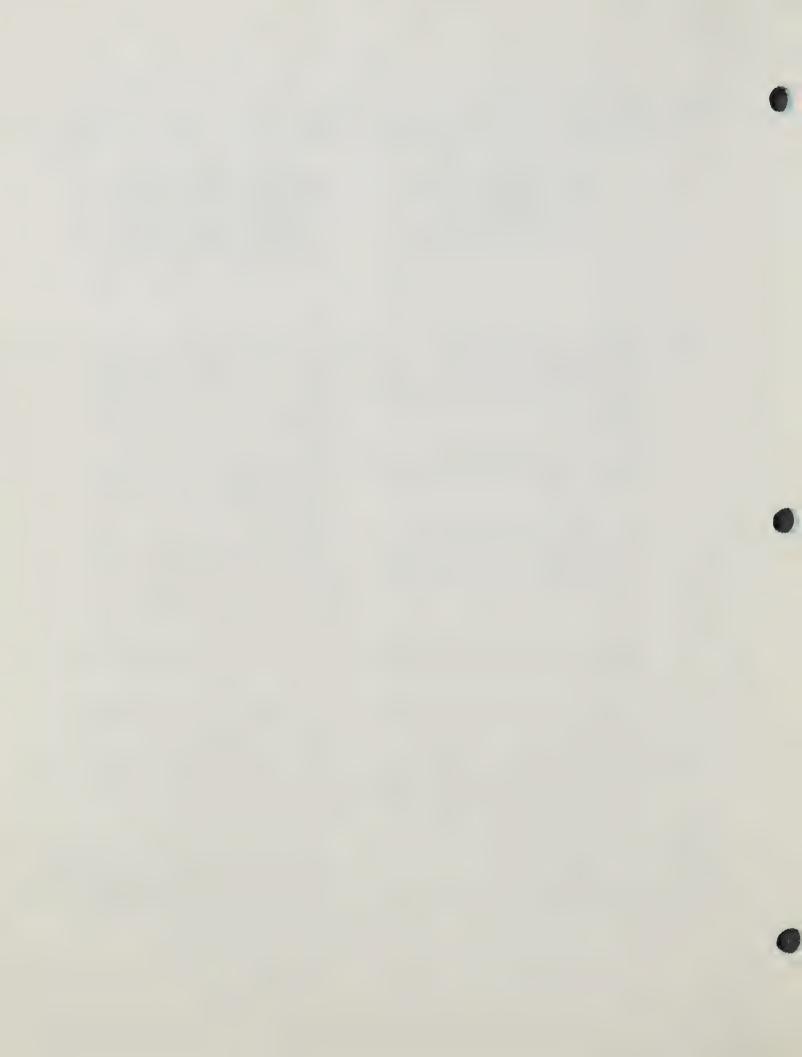
Les générations présentes et futures ne doivent jamais oublier la contribution qu'ont apportée ces hommes et ces femmes, à qui nous devons tant. Afin de marquer notre respect à leur égard, nous désirons honorer leur mémoire en nommant la voie publique 416 Promenade des anciens combattants.

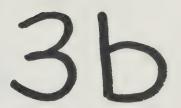
Pour ces motifs, Sa Majesté, sur l'avis et avec le consentement de l'Assemblée législative de la province de l'Ontario, édicte :

- 1. La Loi sur l'aménagement des voies publiques et des transports en commun est modifiée par adjonction de l'article suivant :
- 36.1 La section de la route principale dési- Voie gnée comme route à accès limité 416 est con-publique 416 nue sous le nom de Promenade commémorative des anciens combattants en français et Veterans' Memorial Parkway en anglais.

- 2. La présente loi entre en vigueur le jour Entrée en où elle reçoit la sanction royale.
- 3. Le titre abrégé de la présente loi est Loi Titre abrégé de 1997 sur la Promenade commémorative des anciens combattants.

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To Charlene Touzel:

I am writing on behalf of the many contributors and developers of the War Monuments of Canada World Wide Web Site at STEM~Net, Memorial University of Newfoundland. Please find enclosed all materials forwarded by you, for submission to our web site.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for taking the time to gather and submit this documentation. Without your help, this project would not have been a success. Your submission is much appreciated and will provide future generations with a poignant reminder of the sacrifice so many Canadians have made in their commitment to preserve our democracy.

The positive response we have received has affirmed for us the special significance of such a site and is proving to be of significant interest to varied groups of people. Such feedback has made everyone's work here that much more pleasurable and rewarding.

If you would like to view our presentation of the over 450 War Memorials that have been documented, our web site address is:

http://www.stemnet.nf.ca/monuments

Kimberley Kray

Please feel free to forward any comments or suggestions you may have.

Sincerely,

Kimberley Dray

War Monuments Developer



Woodland Cemetary, Sec. 5 War Memorial



Field of Honour Woodland Cemetary (Section 5)

Woodland Cemetary, Hamilton, Ontario

Constructed on October 29, 1967, in memory of all war veterans buried in this cemetary.

The Field of Honour was restored under the auspices of the Department of Veterans Affairs, the Commonwealth War Graves Commission, the Corporation of the City of Hamilton, the Hamilton Cemetary Board, and the United Council of Veterans of Hamilton and District.



Field of Honour - Woodland Cemetary (Section 5)

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MAIN MENU

War Monuments in Canada World Wide Web Site

Woodland Cemetary, Sec. 18 War Memorial

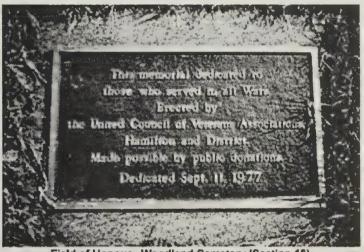


Field of Honour Woodland Cemetary (Section 18)

Woodland Cemetary, Hamilton, Ontario

Constructed on September 11, 1977, and dedicated to those who served in all wars.

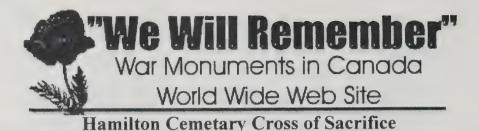
The memorial was erected by the United Council of Veterans' Associations of Hamilton and District (made possible by donations).



Field of Honour - Woodland Cemetary (Section 18)

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MAIN MENU



Cross of Sacrifice Hamilton Cemetary

Hamilton Cemetary, Hamilton, Ontario

Constructed in 1923 in memory of WWI veterans.

Twenty thousand Hamiltonians, including 8,000 war veterans, attended the 1923 dedication ceremonies. The monument was erected by the War Graves Commission.

During the Decoration Day services in 1923, two memorial crosses were unveiled as part of the ceremonies. More than 8000 soldiers marched in a parade through the city streets and into Harvey Park where the service was being held. Thousands of residents lined the streets watching the parade, and an estimated 20,000 people were present in the park itself. The bands, which were all together in the park, played hymns such as: Abide with Me, Unto the Hills, and Onward, Christian Soldiers.

Two crosses were unveiled during the service. The Cross of Sacrifice was paid for by the Imperial War Graves Commission to honour the war dead. The second cross was funded by the Canadian Patriotic Fund in memory of the 214 wives, mothers, and children whose loved ones died while fighting overseas.

Once the formal ceremonies were completed, truckloads of flowers that had followed the parade were unloaded and many people placed them on the memorials and on graves in the surrounding cemetery.

The 1923 Decoration Day services were the largest and most successful of all memorial ceremonies since the end of the war.

Brian Henley Hamilton Spectator, Aug. 16, 1997



War Monuments in Canada

World Wide Web Site

Eastlawn Cemetary War Monument

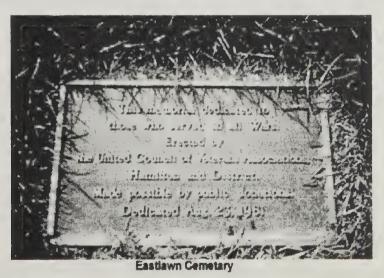


Eastlawn Cemetary

Eastlawn Cemetary, Hamilton, Ontario

Constructed on August 23, 1981, in memory of all war veterans.

This memorial is dedicated to those who served in all wars. Erected by the United Council of Veterans' Associations of Hamilton and District (made possible by public donations).



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Gore Park Cenotaph



Gore Park, Hamilton, Ontario

Constructed on May 22, 1923, in memory of veterans who served in WWI, WWII and the Korean War.

The Cenotaph was a gift to the City of Hamilton from the Canadian Club of Hamilton and was dedicated to the Veterans of WWI, WWII and the Korean War on May 22, 1923, by the then Governor General of Canada, Loyd Byng.

The Cenotaph in the Gore area was constructed during the winter of 1922-23. It is a replica of the British Cenotaph found in Westminster, London. The monument is fabricated out of a granite column, with a large stone shaped like a casket resting on top. On either side are two smaller columns, which have around them models of the fighting equipment of the Canadian soldier. On the original monument, the only words featured were, "Our Glorious Dead".

The Cenotaph was officially dedicated on May 23rd, 1923. Over 5,000 spectators were present to observe the ceremony which was lead by Canada's then Governor-General, Lord Byng of Vimy. The proceedings were begun with a short speech from A. R. Lancefield, president of the local Canadian Club.

The service was concluded by the Governor-General unveiling the Cenotaph, and the massed singing of the hymn, Abide With Me. After this was finished, over 500 bunches of flowers were laid around the monument.

J. Brian Henley Hamilton Spectator, Nov. 10, 1986



World Wide Web Site

**Dieppe Memorial** 



RHLI Clubhouse, 1353 Barton Street East, Hamilton, Ontario

Constructed on August 17, 1975, in memory of the 201 officers, N.C.O.'s and men of the RHLI who died on the Esplanade, on the beach, and in the town of Dieppe on August 19, 1942.

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World Wide Web Site

Woodland Cemetary, Hoseink Emlekere



Hungarian Monument Woodland Cemetary

Woodland Cemetary, Hamilton, Ontario

Constructed to commemorate the Hungarian Heroes of 1956.

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Memorial Clock Tower

Corner of King Street and Jarvis Street, Hamilton, Ontario

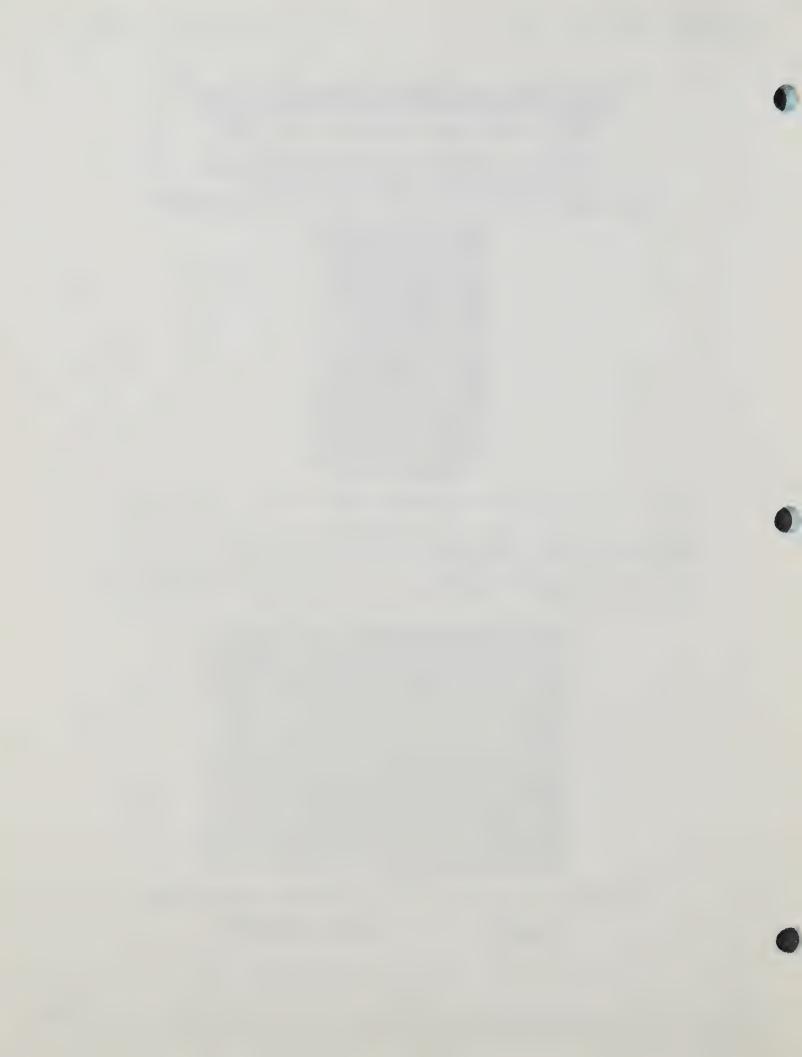
Constructed in December, 1988, in memory of the War of 1812, Ferian Raids, Boer War, Great War, World War II, Korean War and U.N. Peacekeeping Forces.

This monument was made by I.T. Verdin Company, Thornhill, Ontario, and was paid for in full by the Corporation of the City of Hamilton as part of the Downtown Action Plan.



Memorial Clock Tower

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# CITY OF HAMILTON - RECOMMENDATION -

DATE:

1998 April 2

REPORT TO:

Mr. Kevin C. Christenson, Secretary

Parks and Recreation Committee

FROM:

Mr. D. Lobo, Commissioner

Department of Public Works & Traffic

SUBJECT:

Canadian Merchant Navy Veterans Association Plaque

Approval of Location

#### **RECOMMENDATION:**

That the Canadian Merchant Navy Veterans Association be permitted to install a plaque in Sam Lawrence Park dedicated to those who served in the World Wars and the Korean conflict, using area north of the west parking lot.

## FINANCIAL/STAFFING/LEGAL IMPLICATIONS:

From a financial perspective the Canadian Merchant Navy Veterans Association has confirmed its intent to cover costs of producing a bronze plaque, fabrication and installation of the base.

There are no staffing or legal implications.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

In October 1997, the Canadian Merchant Navy Veterans Association contacted the City wishing to donate a bronze plaque to commemorate the Canadian Merchant Navy. The plaque requires a base and the City provided an estimate of \$300. to cover fabrication and installation at a site to be determined.

A three hundred dollar cheque was received by the City in December 1997.

The donors requested the plaque be located at Sam Lawrence Park where views of the lower City and the Harbour are most pleasing. More specifically a site near the west parking

lot north of the stone wall and west of the staircase (see attached site plan) is the Association's preferred location.

The wording on the plaque reads:

Canadian Merchant Navy Marine Marchande Canadienne

1914-18	1939-45	1950-53
The Life	Crown	Pour La
Line of the	Canada	Survie
World	MN	Du Monde
		Libre

On 1964 July 23 a Niagara Escarpment Commission plaque was erected in a nearby location. There are no restrictions from an historical perspective to the desired location. Further, the Chair and President respectively of the Hamilton Veterans Committee and the Hamilton Naval Veterans Association have been consulted and are supportive of this initiative.

Pending approval of this recommendation the plaque will be installed at this site with an unveiling ceremony scheduled for June 1998.

RWC:PSU:bg Attch.

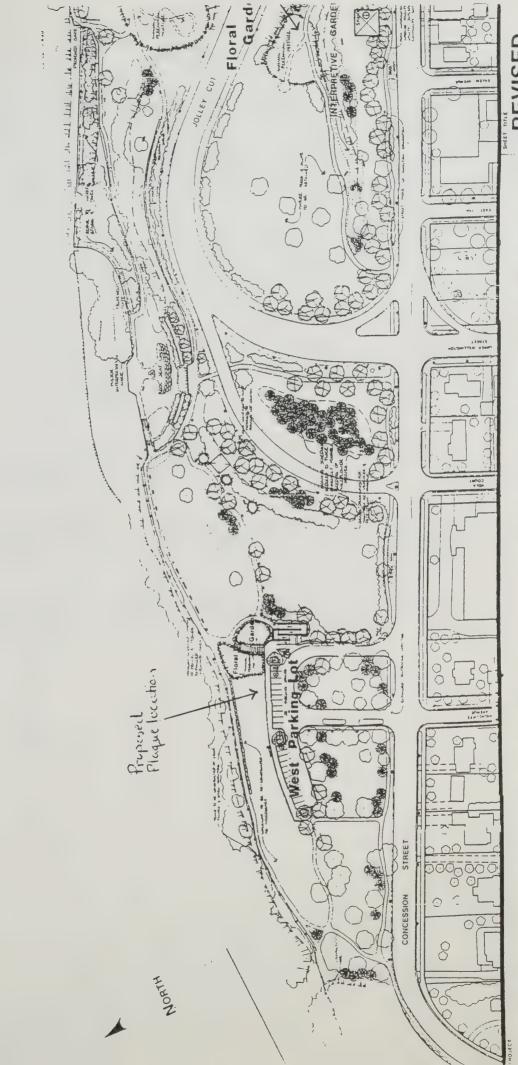
cc: His Worship Mayor R. Morrow

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Mr. R. W. Chrystian, Manager of Parks

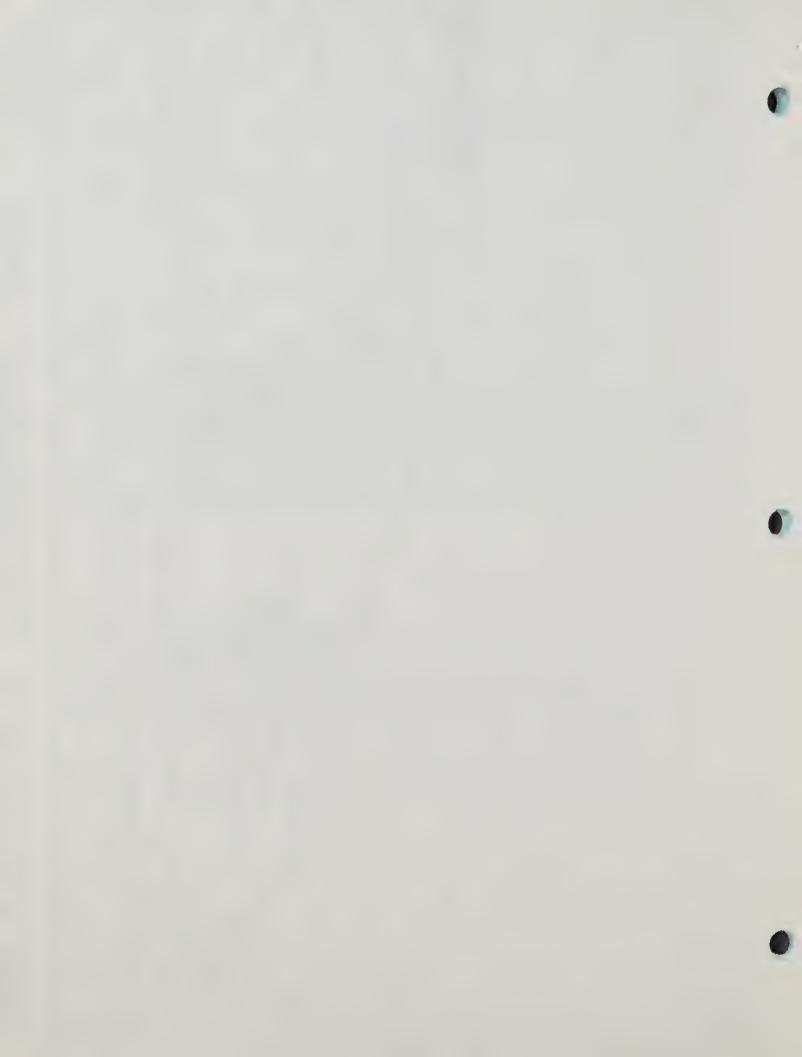
Mr. D. Patterson, Canadian Merchant Navy Veterans Association

C. Touzel, Hamilton Veterans Committee

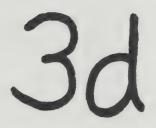


SAM LAWRENCE ESCARPMENT PARK

REVISED DESIGN CONCEDT



# OFFICE OF THE CITY CLERK



# MEMORANDUM

TO: Charlene Touzel

Secretary

Hamilton Veterans Committee

FROM: Betty Carter

Secretary

Bitty Carter

VE Day Celebrations Committee PHONE: 546-4605

SUBJECT: VE Day Commemorative Medals DATE: 1998 April 6

If you will recall, three years ago the City celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of VE Day by presenting a commemorative medallion and scroll to veterans of the Second World War. In all, over 2,000 medallions have been given out.

As more veterans requested a medal than had been anticipated by the VE Day Celebrations Committee, a waiting list was set up and another order for fifty additional medals was placed at a cost of \$304.75.

As the VE Day Celebrations Committee no longer has an active account, it would be appreciated if the Hamilton Veterans Committee would consider payment of the attached invoice.

att.

# United Trophy Manufacturing Ltd.

99 CANNON ST. EAST, HAMILTON ONTARIO L8L 2A2 Telephone. (905) 527-4161 Fax. (905) 527-7402

TROPHIES / AWARDS / ENGRAVING



APR 0 3 1998

INVOICE

NO:

00051089

DATE:

3/31/98

SOLD TO:

City of Hamilton Treasury, Accounts Payable 71 Main St. West Hamilton On. L8P 4Y5

**TREASURY** 

**Betty Carter** 

TERMS: C.O.D. OVERDUE ACCOUNTS CHARGED 2% PER MONTH

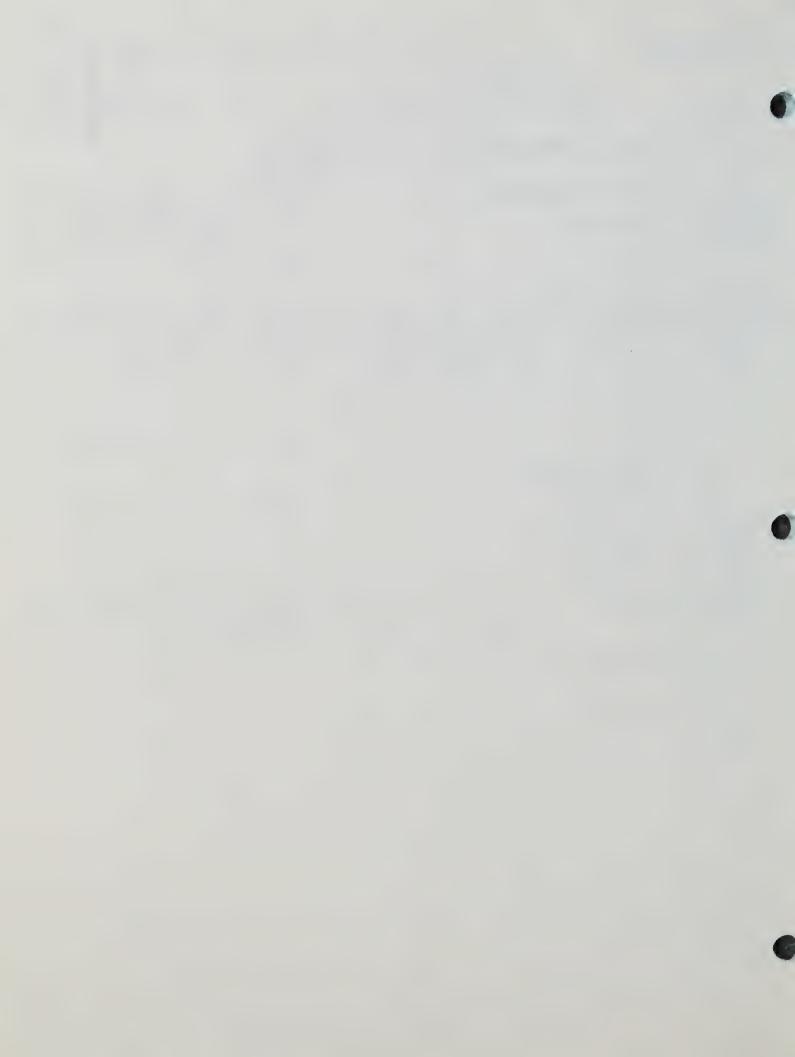
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# AGENDA

1. Planning for Decoration Day Service - Sunday, 1998 June 14		998 June 14
	Service Starting Time	11:00 a.m.
	Place of Service	Hamilton Cemetery
	Clergy	Reverend Aaron Orr
	Transportation	Buses will depart rear of City Hall a 10:30 a.m. sharp
	Band	
	Piper	
	Bugler	
	Veteran in Charge of Wreath Bearers	
	U.N. Flag Bearer	
	Honour Guard	
	Fly Past	Canadian Warplane Heritage (weather permitting)

- 2. Other Business
- 3. Adjournment





Kathy Deiter
Urban Municipal Collection
2nd Floor
Hamilton Public Library

# **NOTICE OF MEETING**

BARAN MUNICIPAL

**Hamilton Veterans Committee** 

AUG 24 1998

Tuesday, 1998 September 15 4:00 o'clock p.m. Room 233, City Hall

COVERNMENT DOCUMENTS

Charlene Touzel Secretary Hamilton Veterans Committee

#### AGENDA:

- 1. **CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS** (no copy)
- 2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES
  - a) Minutes of Meeting held 1998 May 7
  - b) Minutes of Meeting held 1998 May 7 (with representatives of Veterans Associations)
  - c) Minutes of Meeting held 1998 May 28

## 3. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

- a) Garden of Remembrance Section 18, Field of Honour (no copy)
- b) Review Policy re: Issuance of Rebates for Metal Crosses
- c) Hamilton Firefighters Band Participation in parade permits (no copy)

# 4. 1998 REMEMBRANCE DAY PARADE AND SERVICES

- a) CHML Live Broadcast from the Cenotaph (no copy)
- b) Review Remembrance Day Planning Agenda
- 5. OTHER BUSINESS
- 6. ADJOURNMENT

Note: The Committee will adjourn at 5:00 p.m. for a Dinner Planning Meeting and will reconvene at 7:00 p.m. in Room 233, City Hall to meet with representatives of the Hamilton and area Veterans Associations to finalize plans for the 1998 Remembrance Day Parade and Services.



Thursday, 1998 May 7 4:00 o'clock p.m. Room 264, City Hall

The Hamilton Veterans Committee met.

There were Present:

Jack McFarland, Vice-Chairman

Alderman Bernie Morelli

Tom Dean Bill Eisan Mike Roach Lloyd Shephard

Regrets:

Frank Caldwell, Chairman

Alderman Dave Wilson

Also Present:

Charlene Touzel, Secretary

In the absence of the Chairman, Jack McFarland, Vice-Chairman, assumed the Chair and called the meeting to order.

#### 1. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

#### a) Chairman

The Vice-Chairman called for nominations for the position of Chairman and the following nominations were received:

Frank Caldwell

Jack McFarland - Declined

Hearing no further nominations, nominations were closed and the Committee approved the following:

That Frank Caldwell be re-elected Chairman, Hamilton Veterans Committee.

#### b) Vice-Chairman

The Vice-Chairman called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chairman and the following nomination was received:

Jack McFarland

Hearing no further nominations, nominations were closed and the Committee approved the following:

That Jack McFarland be re-elected Vice-Chairman, Hamilton Veterans Committee.

#### 2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The Committee was in receipt of the Minutes of the Hamilton Veterans Committee for its meetings held 1997 September 25 (Committee), 1997 September 25 (With Veterans Associations) and 1998 March 26. These Minutes were adopted as circulated.

#### 3. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

a) Provincial Bill re: An Act to amend the Public Transportation and Highway Improvement Act to name Highway 416 Veterans' Memorial Parkway

The Committee was in receipt of a memorandum dated 1997 December 3 from Mrs. S. K. Reeder, Legislative Assistant, City Clerk's Department, to advise that the Provincial Bill to amend the Public Transportation and Highways Act to name Highway 416 "Veterans' Memorial Parkway" passed its First Reading on 1997 November 17. This memorandum was received as circulated.

#### b) War Monuments of Canada World Wide Web Site

The Committee received for information, a letter from the War Monuments Developer, StemNet, thanking the Committee for providing information respecting the war monuments in the City of Hamilton and to advise that this information has been added to its War Monuments of Canada World Wide Web Site.

Copies of the Web Site pages as they relate to Hamilton's war monuments were circulated for the Committee's information.

The Secretary added that she has already sent a letter to StemNet thanking them for including Hamilton's war monuments in this project.

#### c) Canadian Merchant Navy Veterans Association Plaque - Sam Lawrence Park

The Committee was in receipt of a copy of a report dated 1998 April 2 from the Commissioner, Department of Public Works and Traffic, to the Secretary, Parks and Recreation Committee, recommending that approval be given to the Canadian Merchant Navy Veterans Association to install a plaque in Sam Lawrence Park dedicated to those who served in the World Wars and the Korean conflict.

Committee Members were advised that this item has been approved by the Parks and Recreation Committee and that the plaque unveiling will take place on Thursday, 1998 June 4 at 1:00 p.m. in Sam Lawrence Park. All Committee Members were encouraged to attend.

# d) Memorandum from Secretary, VE Day Celebrations Committee re: Invoice for Purchase of Additional Medals

The Committee was in receipt of a memorandum dated 1998 April 6 from the Secretary, VE Day Celebrations Committee, requesting payment in the amount of \$304.75 for the purchase of fifty (50) additional VE Day commemorative medallions for Hamilton Veterans that applied for a medallion after the initial deadline date. The Committee approved the following:

That the outstanding invoice in the amount of \$304.75 for the purchase of fifty additional VE Day commemorative medallions be paid by the Hamilton Veterans Committee subject to the approval of the Hamilton Veterans Committee's 1998 budget.

#### e) Filming of Disney Movie in Gore Park

The Secretary advised Committee Members that the City has been approached by a Production Company that is interested in filming a Disney movie "The Pooch and the Pauper" in Gore Park on 1998 May 21-22.

The Secretary added that initially, the Production Company requested permission to place American flags on the Cenotaph as the area will be transformed to look like Washington D.C., however, the Production Company has decided not to place flags on the Cenotaph, but merely to remove the existing flags and to place a wreath on the steps of the Cenotaph during the two days of filming.

- 3 -

The Committee approved the following:

That the Hamilton Veterans Committee agreed in principle with the use of the Cenotaph area for the filming of a Disney movie "The Pooch and the Pauper" from 1998 May 21-22 as long as it is done in good taste and in no way desecrates the importance of the Cenotaph.

The Committee also indicated that it would have no problem if American flags were flown from the Cenotaph as long as the existing flags were returned immediately following filming on 1998 May 22.

#### 4. PLANNING FOR 1998 DECORATION DAY SERVICE

The Committee discussed the 1998 Decoration Day Service to be held on Sunday, 1998 June 14.

The Committee was advised that Reverend Aaron Orr has confirmed that he will officiate at this year's Service.

It was also agreed that given the change in format whereby the Parade and afternoon Service have been eliminated, that the number of buses provided, be increased from two to three.

Bill Eisan and Mike Roach agreed to make the necessary arrangements for the provision of a piper and bugler respectively.

Bill Eisan and Lloyd Shephard also agreed to contact the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 58, to see if their pipe band will lead the Parade at the Hamilton Cemetery.

Tom Dean agreed to act as Veteran in Charge of Wreath Bearers.

The Committee agreed to visit the Hamilton Cemetery prior to the 1998 June 14th Service to determine the best Parade route and form up area.

#### 5. OTHER BUSINESS

#### a) Hamilton Firefighters Band - Participation at Remembrance Day Parade

The Secretary advised Committee Members that a letter was sent to the Hamilton Firefighters Band following the 1996 Remembrance Day Parade respectfully requesting that they perform songs that are a little slower paced so that those Veterans marching on Parade have no difficulties keeping up with them.

Some discussion ensued on the complaints received again last year that their music was too fast to march to, and the Committee agreed to invite the Bandmaster of the Hamilton Firefighters Band to attend a meeting prior to the 1998 Remembrance Day Parade to make him aware of the Committee's concerns in this regard.

#### b) Planting of Flowers in Field of Honour

Jack McFarland advised Committee Members that he has received some complaints respecting the City's policy re: planting of flowers on Veterans graves in the Field of

Honour and the lack of flowers in Section 18, Woodland Cemetery. The Committee agreed to set up a site visit with the Manager, Cemeteries Division, prior to the 1998 Decoration Day Service to visit Section 5 and 18, Woodland Cemetery and the Hamilton Cemetery to review the existing set up and to discuss the issue of plantings, etc. further.

#### c) Burial of Ashes at Sea

Tom Dean provided the Committee with information recently published in *The Yardarm National*, Spring 1998 edition, respecting the above-noted matter. The Secretary was asked to send a copy of this information to all Hamilton Veterans Clubs for their information.

#### 6. ADJOURNMENT

The Committee then adjourned for a Dinner Planning Meeting and would reconvene at 7:00 p.m. in Room 233, City Hall, to meet with representatives from the various Hamilton Veterans Associations to make the necessary plans for the 1998 Decoration Day Service.

Taken as read and approved,

Jack McFarland, Vice-Chairman Hamilton Veterans Committee

Charlene Touzel, Secretary

Thursday, 1998 May 7 7:00 o'clock p.m. Room 233, City Hall

The Hamilton Veterans Committee met with representatives of Hamilton area Veterans Associations to finalize plans for the 1998 Decoration Day Service.

There were Present: Jack McFarland, Vice-Chairman

Alderman Bernie Morelli

Tom Dean Bill Eisan Mike Roach Lloyd Shephard

Regrets: Frank Caldwell, Chairman

Alderman Dave Wilson

Also Present: Andy Tallach, National Steel Car War Veterans

George Thorne, National Steel Car War Veterans

Walli Pyrzt, P.K. Association (Polish)

John Clarke, Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 58

Ruth Thorne, 447 Wing

Dorothy Simpson, RCAF (WD) Association

George Hill, Royal Hamilton Military Institute/Hamilton

Air Force Association Charlene Touzel, Secretary

#### 1. UPDATE ON CURRENT VETERANS ISSUES

In the absence of the Chairman, Jack McFarland, Vice-Chairman, assumed the Chair, called the meeting to order and updated the representatives of the various Hamilton Veterans Associations of the issues discussed by the Committee at its meeting held earlier today.

Jack McFarland also advised the representatives of the Hamilton Veterans Associations that Aldermen Bernie Morelli and Dave Wilson are the new City Council representatives on the Hamilton Veterans Committee.

#### 2. 1998 DECORATION DAY SERVICE

Discussion then ensued on the 1998 Decoration Day Service that will be held on Sunday, 1998 June 14 at the Hamilton Cemetery and the following arrangements were confirmed:

Service Starting Time	11:00 a.m.
Place of Service	Hamilton Cemetery
Clergy	Reverend Aaron Orr
Transportation	3 Buses will depart rear of City Hall at 10:30 a.m. sharp
Band	To be confirmed by Committee Secretary
Piper	Bill Eisan to contact RCL Branch 58
Bugler	Mike Roach to contact RHLI
Veteran in Charge of	Tom Dean

U.N. Flag Bearer

Honour Guard

Not needed

Not needed

Fly Past

Canadian Warplane Heritage (weather permitting)

Questions were raised on when information on the Service would be distributed to Veterans Clubs and the Secretary indicated that this information will be mailed tomorrow.

The Veterans Associations were reminded of the new format for this year's Service which eliminates the afternoon Parade and Service at the Cenotaph. Jack McFarland added that refreshments at City Hall will no longer be provided.

#### 3. OTHER BUSINESS

#### a) Hamilton Naval Veterans Association - Parade and BBQ

Tom Dean extended an invitation to all those present, to attend the Hamilton Naval Veterans Association's Parade, BBQ and Bed race on 1998 July 1.

#### b) Navy Gun Run Team

Tom Dean advised that on 1998 July 19, the Navy Gun Run Team will be putting on a display at Parkdale School at 2:00 p.m. and encouraged everyone to attend.

#### c) Veterans Affairs Canada's Program to bring Veterans into Schools

Jack McFarland reported that Veterans Affairs Canada is developing a new program to bring Veterans into Hamilton and area schools to raise student awareness of the significance of Remembrance Day. The Committee supported this worthwhile project and encouraged all Veterans interested in participating to contact Veterans Affairs Canada.

#### d) Military Tattoo

George Hill, Hamilton Military Institute, reminded Veterans of the Military Tattoo to be held on 1998 June 6.

#### 4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

Taken as read and approved,

Jack McFarland, Vice-Chairman Hamilton Veterans Committee

Charlene Touzel, Secretary

Thursday, 1998 May 28 10:00 o'clock a.m. Hamilton and Woodland Cemeteries

The Hamilton Veterans Committee met.

There were Present:

Frank Caldwell, Chairman Jack McFarland, Vice-Chairman

Bill Eisan Mike Roach

Lloyd Shephard

Regrets:

Alderman Bernie Morelli

Alderman Dave Wilson

Tom Dean

Also Present:

Rick Zbucki, Manager, Cemeteries Division

Charlene Touzel, Secretary

#### 1. FIELDS OF HONOUR

The Committee met at the Cross of Sacrifice, Hamilton Cemetery and then travelled to Woodland Cemetery to inspect the Veterans Sections and to address any concerns that the Committee may have respecting the Veterans Sections in these two cemeteries.

Jack McFarland, Vice-Chairman, advised Committee Members that he has received some complaints from Veterans and their spouses respecting the policy prohibiting the planting of flowers, etc. in the Field of Honour (Section 18) at Woodland Cemetery and that the existing plantings at the base of the hill were drab and added little to the Section.

Mike Roach thought that the Committee had approved the inclusion of some additional monies in its budget, a number of years ago, to establish a Garden of Remembrance in this Section. The Secretary indicated that she was not aware that this had been done and agreed to check the Committee's minutes in this regard.

Rick Zbucki, Manager, Cemeteries Division, indicated that approximately \$1,000 would be required to develop a Garden of Remembrance in this Section where Veterans and their families could make donations of flowers, shrubs, etc. or monies for the purchase of the same that could be planted in this area in memory of Veterans buried at the Cemetery. Mr. Zbucki indicated that Cemetery Division Staff would be responsible for all plantings and maintenance and would provide appropriate signage identifying the Garden of Remembrance and how families could contribute to it.

The Committee felt that it would be able to contribute \$1,000 to this cause given that its afternoon Parade and Service for Decoration Day have been discontinued but agreed to discuss further at its next meeting.

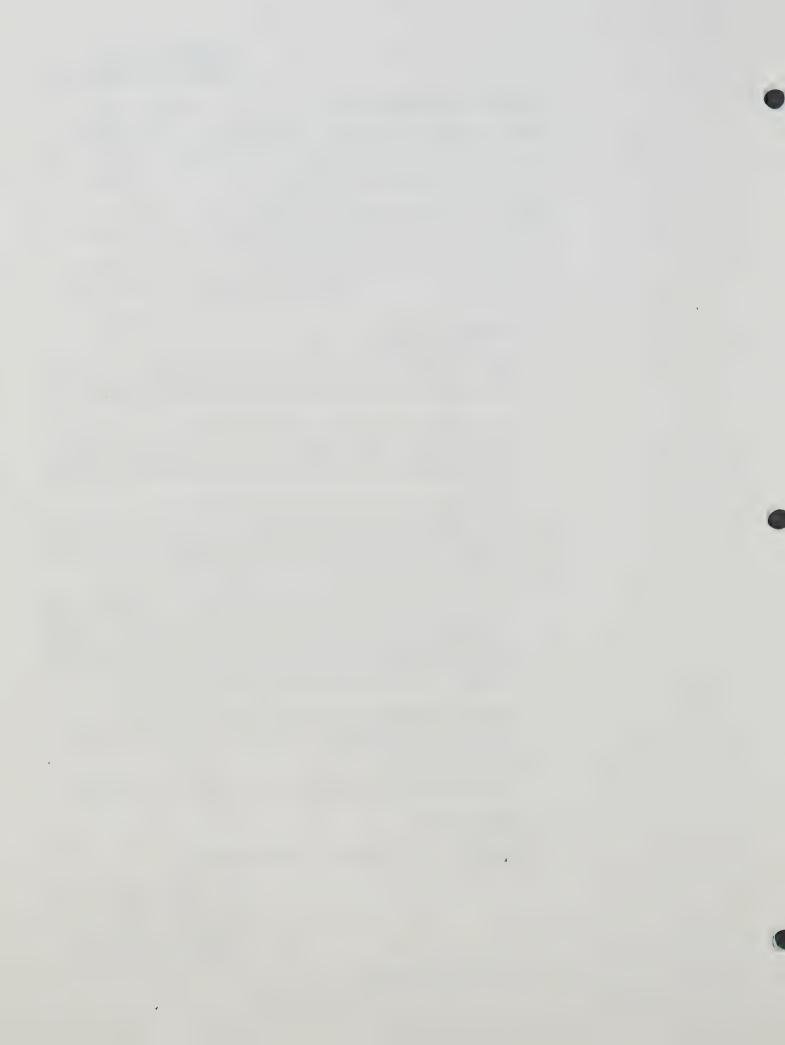
The Committee also agreed to review its existing policy respecting the issuance of rebates for the metal crosses that the City has not provided for close to twenty years.

#### **ADJOURNMENT** 2.

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

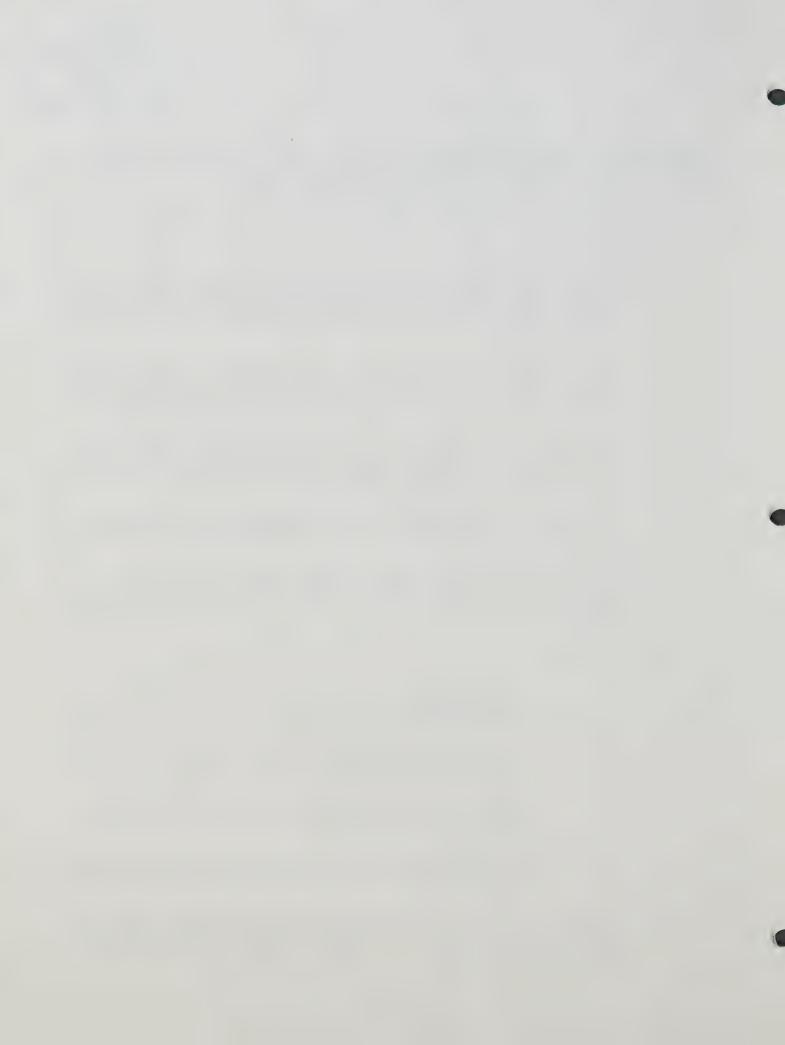
Taken as read and approved,

Frank Caldwell, Chairman Hamilton Veterans Committee



Subjoined is Section 1 of the **THIRTEENTH** Report of the Parks and Recreation Committee for 1983 as amended by City Council on 1988 January 12 and on 1996 April 30:

- 1. Approval of the following policy respecting the activities of the Hamilton Veterans' Committee:
  - (a) Married couples who are both veterans have the right to be buried side by side in the Field of Honour (Section 18, Woodland Cemetery) and that the adjacent plot be reserved until the death of the spouse, provided full payment is made at the time of the first interment.
  - (b) When a double flat marker (18" x 24") is purchased for a husband and wife who are both veterans for installation in a flat marker section, that one and a half times the value of a veterans' metal cross be rebated to the estate of the deceased veteran.
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Colour Marshall		
Piper		
Bugler  Veteran in Charge of Wreath Bearers		
Honour Guard		
Choir	The Hamilton Children's Choir	
Dismissal	At the Cenotaph	
Fly Past	Canadian Warplane Heritage (weather permitting)	

- 4. Other Business
- 5. Adjournment

#### Section No. 1

Hamilton Police War Veterans Association
Canadian Corps - Unit 57 - R.H.L.I. Association
War Amputations Association of Canada
Polish Combatants Association - Branch 23
American Legion Post 18
Polish Army War Veterans Association of America - Post 163
Veterans Service League
Canadian Vietnam Veterans of Hamilton

#### Section No. 2

British Imperial Veterans' Association
War Pensioners' of Canada - Hamilton Branch
R.C.A.F. Association (Krakow Wing) Hamilton
R.C.A.F. Association 447 Wing
R.C.A.F. W.D. Association
Stelco War Veterans' Association
4th Canadian Infantry Veterans
Hamilton Firefighters War Veterans Association
Knight's of Columbus Veterans

#### Section No. 3

Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders Veterans Association
Her Majesty's Army and Navy Veterans
Dominion Foundries & Steel War Veterans Association
Canadian Corps. of Commissionaires
Hamilton Municipal Employee War Veterans Association
National Steel Car Veterans Association
Hamilton Naval Veterans Association
Burlington Naval Veterans Association
Burlington Naval Veterans in Canada
Prisoners of War Association
Dutch Canadian Legion - Hamilton Branch
Contact Mariniers Canada - Royal Netherlands Marine Corps Veterans Association

#### Section No. 4

Royal Canadian Legion - Branch 58 - with Band Royal Canadian Legion - Branch 343 - Maccabees Branch Royal Canadian Legion - Branch 315 - Polish Branch Royal Canadian Legion - Branch 163 - Mt. Hamilton Branch Korea Veterans Association Canadian Airborne Forces Association Hamilton Signals Association 23 (HAM) Service Battalion Association



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**Hamilton Veterans Committee** 

COTAMINAT DESCRIPTION

Thursday, May 6, 1999 3:30 o'clock p.m. Room 233, City Hall

> Charlene Touzel, Secretary Hamilton Veterans Committee

# AGENDA:

1. CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS (no copy)

# 2. **DELEGATION**

Review Policy for Burial of Veterans in Field of Honour – Rick Zbucki, Manager, Cemeteries Division

### 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Minutes of Meetings held:

- a) September 15, 1998
- b) September 15, 1998 (with Veterans Associations)

# 4. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES** (no copy)

Discussion re: Shorter Remembrance Day Parade Route for Veterans

# 5. CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

- a) Letter of Congratulations from J. Brian Henley re: 1998 Remembrance Day Service
- b) Letter from Alex Clark, President, Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 163 re: Fundraising for Memorial Garden Project
- c) Letter from Ronald A. JohnSon re: Dieppe Monument



# 6. 1999 DECORATION DAY SERVICE

Review Decoration Day Planning Agenda

# 7. OTHER BUSINESS

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### The Hamilton Veterans Committee met.

There were Present:

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Jack McFarland, Vice-Chairman

Alderman Bernie Morelli

Bill Eisan Mike Roach Lloyd Shephard

Regrets:

Alderman Dave Wilson

Tom Dean

Also Present:

Charlene Touzel, Secretary

### AGENDA:

### 1. CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

No Chairman's remarks were made at this time.

### 2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The Committee was in receipt of the Minutes of the Hamilton Veterans Committee for its meetings held on 1998 May 7 and May 28. These Minutes were adopted as circulated.

### 3. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

### a) Garden of Remembrance – Section 18, Field of Honour

As a follow up to the meeting held at Woodland Cemetery on 1998 May 28, the Committee approved the following:

- a) That, in light of the fact that no plants, flowers, etc. are permitted on individual Veterans' graves in the Fields of Honour, a Garden of Remembrance for the Veterans of Hamilton be created in Section 18, Woodland Cemetery; and,
- b) That the Hamilton Veterans Committee contribute \$1,000 to the Hamilton Municipal Cemeteries to create a Garden of Remembrance to be located on the berm surrounding the Veterans monument in Section 18, Woodland Cemetery; and,
- c) That the Hamilton Municipal Cemeteries be responsible for the following respecting the Garden of Remembrance:
  - (i) the development, design, general maintenance and upkeep of the Garden of Remembrance; and,
  - (ii) the planting of all plants, shrubs, etc. in the Garden of Remembrance; and,
  - (iii) the placement of appropriate signage in the garden and in the Cemetery Office to make Veterans and their families aware of the Garden of Remembrance; and,



(iv) act as the liaison with Veterans and their families who wish to make a donation (either floral or financial) to the Garden of Remembrance.

### b) Review Policy re: Issuance of Rebates for Metal Crosses

As discussed by the Committee at its last meeting, the Committee reviewed the regulations for burial in the Field of Honour and the general responsibilities of the Hamilton Veterans Committee as adopted by City Council in 1983 and subsequently amended on 1988 January 12 and 1996 April 30.

The Committee agreed that some sections of the policy are outdated and need to be revised, such as the placement of winter wreaths on Veterans graves in the Field of Honour. The Committee agreed to **table** this item to its next meeting so that the Committee could meet with Mr. Rick Zbucki, Manager, Cemeteries Division to discuss further.

### c) Hamilton Firefighters Band - Participation in Parades

The Secretary advised the Committee that she has received no response to the Committee's invitation to the Hamilton Firefighters Band to meet with the Committee to discuss the Committee's concerns respecting their participation (musical selection and pace of music) in the City's Annual Remembrance Day Parade. The Secretary indicated that she will continue to follow up on this matter with the Committee Chairman.

### 4. 1998 REMEMBRANCE DAY PARADE AND SERVICES

### a) CHML Live Broadcast from the Cenotaph

The Secretary advised the Committee that CHML has confirmed that Roy Green will once again do a live radio broadcast from the Cenotaph on 1998 November 11, the details of which have not yet been finalized.

### b) Review Remembrance Day Planning Agenda

The Committee reviewed the Remembrance Day planning agenda for the 7:00 p.m. meeting with area Veterans Associations as circulated with the agenda.

The Secretary confirmed that the Hamilton Children's Choir will perform at the November 11<sup>th</sup> Service, but are requesting an honourarium in the amount of \$1,500 for their participation to assist them in their fundraising efforts for a trip to Europe in 1999. The Committee discussed this request at some length and agreed that given the \$1,000 commitment to the Garden of Remembrance in Woodland, Cemetery, they would only be able to contribute \$300 to the choir, which is in keeping with the honourarium given in 1997.

### 5. OTHER BUSINESS

### a) Plaque Commemorating 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Outbreak of War in Poland

The Committee was in receipt of an Information Report dated 1998 September 10 from the Director, Culture and Recreation Department, advising that City Council at its meeting held 1998 September 8 approved the erection of a plaque at City Hall commemorating the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the outbreak of World War II in Poland. This report was received as circulated.

The Committee questioned the whereabouts of the Veterans plaque that was presented to the Mayor by the Sir John A. MacDonald students in 1996 and the Secretary indicated that a request was made to locate the plaque a number of months ago, however, the plaque was not found. The Committee agreed to follow

up with a memorandum to the Mayor so that this plaque too, can be erected at City Hall.

### b) Parade Route for Veterans - Shorter Route Proposed

Some discussion ensued on the possibility of shortening the length of march for Veterans marching in the annual Remembrance Day Parade. The Militia Units would continue to march from the James Street Armouries, however, the aging Veterans population are finding it difficult to march the long distance from the Armouries to the Cenotaph. Suggestions were made that the Veterans form up in the parking lot of the old Robinson's building or in Eaton's indoor parking garage and connect with the Militia Units at that point for a march to the Cenotaph. While it was agreed that this change would not be made for this year's Parade, the Committee agreed to discuss this matter further with the representatives of the Hamilton Veterans Associations at this evening's meeting.

### c) Performance of John McDermott at Hamilton Place

Frank Caldwell, Chairman, circulated information on John McDermott's Remembrance Day performance that is scheduled to take place on Sunday, 1998 November 8 at Hamilton Place. The Chairman indicated that the Committee has been requested to assist Mr. McDermott in including some local Veterans in the program. Committee Members felt that the choice of date and time was not conducive to their participation given that the City's Remembrance Day Parade is held on the same day. The Committee did however agree to distribute information on the performance to all Hamilton Veterans Clubs to make them aware of this event.

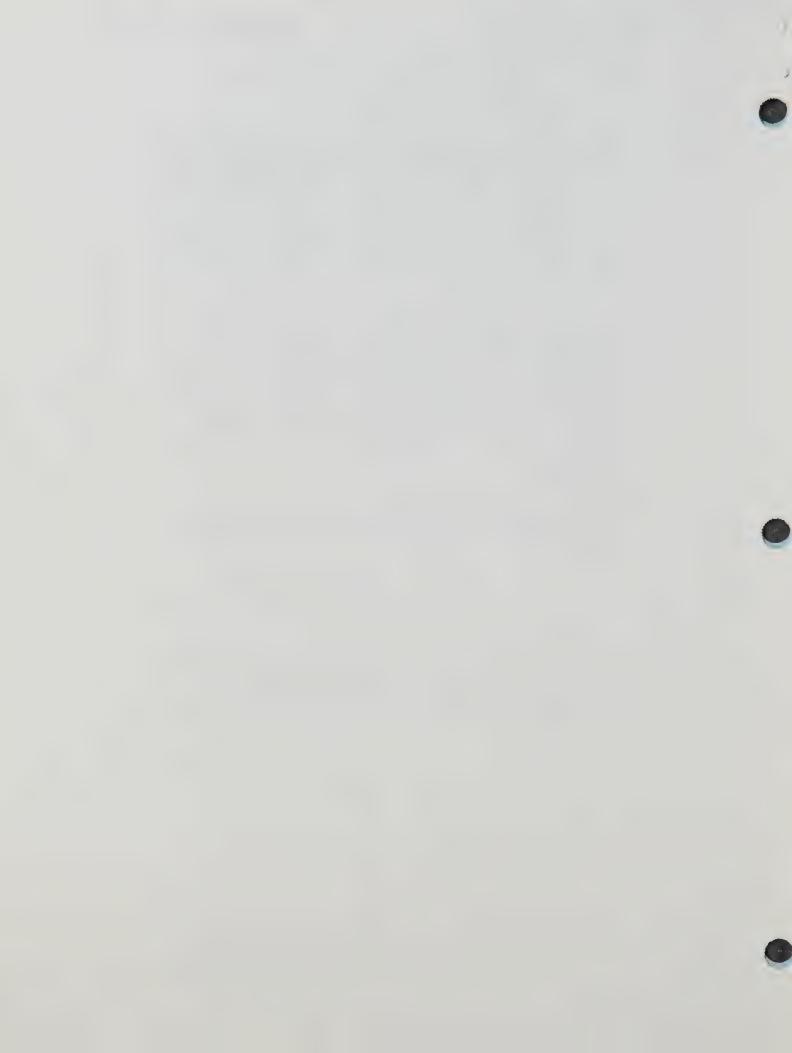
### 6. ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 5:10 p.m. for a Dinner Planning Meeting and would reconvene at 7:00 p.m. to meet with representatives of the Hamilton and area Veterans Associations to formulate plans for the 1998 Remembrance Day activities.

Taken as read and approved,

Frank Caldwell, Chairman Hamilton Veterans Committee

Charlene Touzel, Secretary



Tuesday, 1998 September 15 7:00 o'clock p.m. Room 233, City Hall

The Hamilton Veterans Committee met with Hamilton and area Veterans Associations to formulate plans for the 1998 Remembrance Day activities.

There were Present:

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Also Present:

Jim Andrew, British Imperial Veterans Association

John Tallach, National Steel Car War Veterans Association

Pius Peters, Knights of Columbus War Veterans Al Churchill, 23<sup>rd</sup> Service Battalion Association

RSM Dennis Floresco, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders

of Canada

Dorothy Simpson, Royal Canadian Air Force WD's

Arnie Wheeldon, Veterans Service League

Charlene Touzel, Secretary

### AGENDA:

### 1. Chairman's Remarks

The Chairman reported on the activities of the Hamilton Veterans Committee at its meeting held earlier today.

### 2. Planning for Remembrance Day Parade & Service - Sunday, 1998 November 8

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Lloyd Shephard

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Veteran in Charge of Wreath Bearers

Gerry Rattray

Dismissal John and Rebecca Streets - Veterans

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### 3. Planning for Remembrance Day Service - Wednesday, 1998 November 11

The following arrangements for the 1998 November 11 Remembrance Day Service were made:

Time of Service 10:4

10:45 a.m. sharp

Place of Service

Fall in at Cenotaph (no Parade)

Clergy Band Reverend Aaron Orr Dundas Concert Band

Parade Marshall
Colour Marshall

Jack McFarland Bill Eisan

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Gerry Rattray

Honour Guard Choir RSM Floresco to arrange
The Hamilton Children's Choir

Dismissal

At the Cenotaph

Fly Past

Canadian Warplane Heritage (weather permitting)

### 4. Other Business

### a) Rain Contingency Plan

RSM Dennis Floresco, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders of Canada, reminded the Committee of the Rain Contingency Plan that he has put into place for the Sunday Service to be held in the James Street Armouries in the event of inclement weather. The Secretary indicated that a copy of this plan is included in the Parade Orders that are mailed to each Veterans Club.

### b) Medals Display

The Secretary reminded the Veterans in attendance that a display of Veterans' medals will be set up in the Bank of Nova Scotia from 1998 November 2-16 and asked that any Clubs or families of departed Veterans wishing to include framed medal in this display contact her as soon as possible.

### 5. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting then adjourned.

Taken as read and approved,

Frank Caldwell, Chairman Hamilton Veterans Committee

Charlene Touzel, Secretary

### Touzel, Charlene

From:

Brian Henley

To: Cc:

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Subject:

1998 Remembrance Day Service

Date:

Wednesday, November 11, 1998 2:10PM

Charlene:

Would you be kind enough to pass on my congratulations to the Hamilton Veterans' Committee for yet another job well done.

This year's ceremony was very well-organised and well-conducted: a

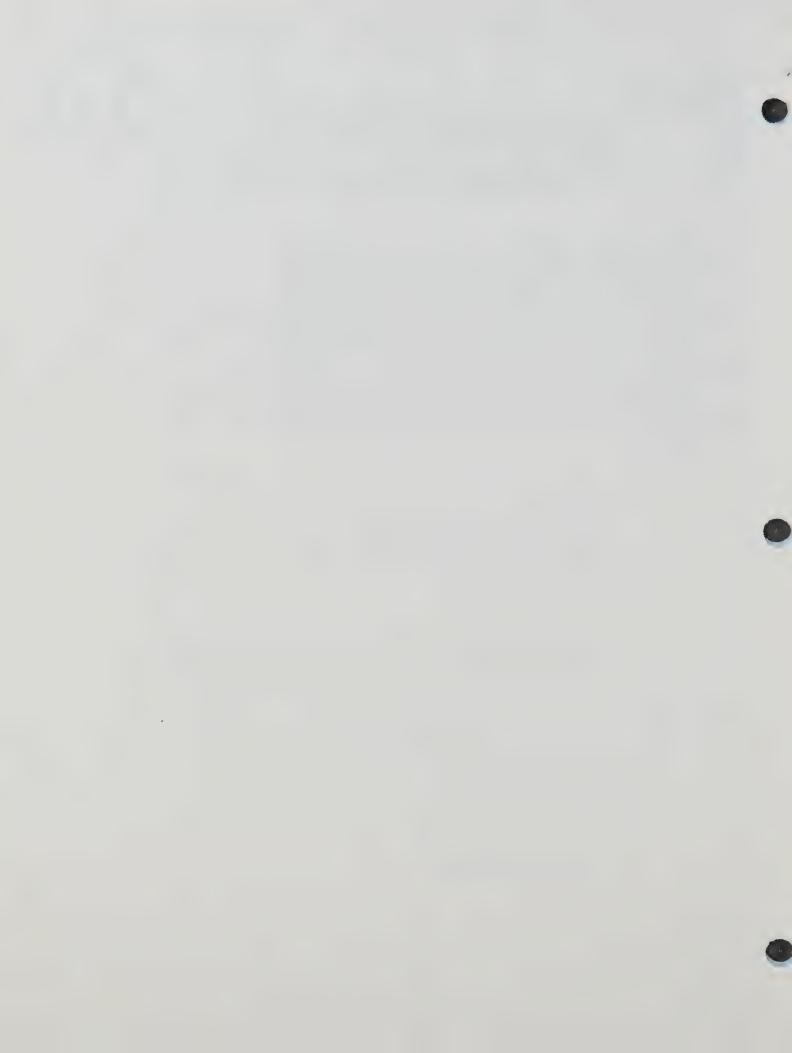
fitting tribute to those who we gathered together to remember.

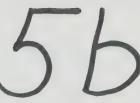
In years past, I often worried about what would happen to the Remembrance Day ceremonies around the Gore Park Cenotaph in an age becoming so far distant in time from the two World Wars and the Korean conflict.

This year's service was so timeless that it touched my heart deeply. In conversation with many who attended the service, the comments were all similar. The general feeling was that the city did itself proud in the way such an important ceremony was conducted.

Finally, Charlene, I do know how hard you have worked to make these Remembrance Day ceremonies take place properly. You are to be congratulated for your efforts.

Yours truly, J. Brian Henley







ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION
Mount Hamilton Branch 163
435 Limeridge Road East, Hamilton ON L9A 2S8
(905)387-4515
(905)385-5076 Fax

February 10, 1999

Dear, Charlene

The Royal Canadian Legion Branch 163 Mount Hamilton, are planning to erect a Memorial Garden adjacent to our Branch at Limeridge Road and Upper Wentworth.

The City of Hamilton have donated a small piece of property to us for this project.

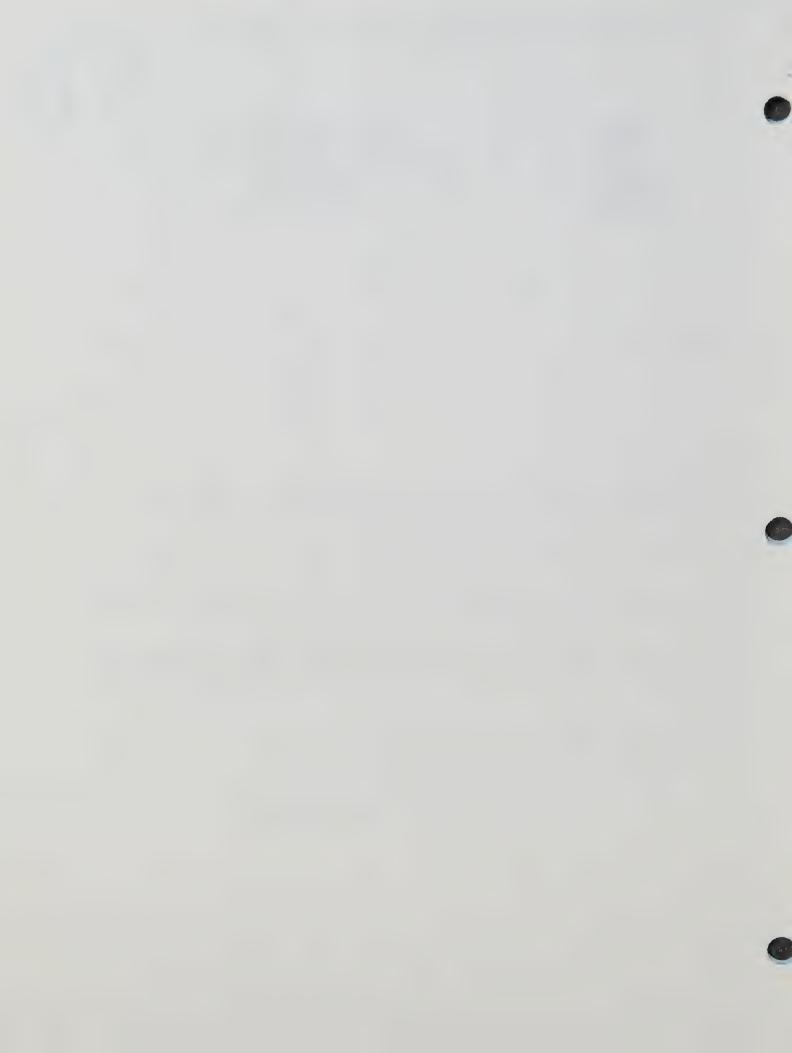
We have a Branch 163 Memorial Trust Fund in place for finances to pay for this Memorial Garden and I'm sure you'll agree this is a very worthwhile cause and long overdue.

The reason we're contacting you is, as long standing Representatives of all Veteran's, we would like to call upon your experience for any advice you could give us to raise funds for this project.

We are hoping to have this completed by Nov 1999.

If you feel that you can help in any way please write, fax or call.

Alex Clark, President



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THE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR.
THE CITY HALL
71 MAIN STREET WEST.
HAMILTON. ONTARIO.
L8N 3T4. CANADA.

ATTENTION MAYOR (BOB) MORROW OR PERTINENT COMMITTEE.

### MAYOR OR COMMITTEE.

AS ONE VETERAN OF THE ARMED FORCES OF WW2 DURING THE PERIOD OF THE DIEPPE RAID AND AS A HAMILTON TAX PAYING RESIDENT FOR OVER 35 YEARS I FEEL, QUALIFIED TO EXPRESS AND OFFER AN OPINION TO MY MAYOR ABOUT ONE OF THE ATTACHED COPIES OF THE HAMILTON SPECTATOR, WHICH IS SELF EXPLAINING.

IT MAY WELL BE TRUE THAT WARRIOR VETERANS ARE NOT FINANCED ENOUGH FOR SERVICE TO THEIR COUNTRY BUT I WILL STATE THAT CANADIANS VETS DO HAVE THE FINEST SYSTEM OF COMPENSATION IN THE WORLD TODAY. ALSO RECOGNITION FOR THESE SERVICES AS IN THE MEDALS WE CAN WEAR, EVEN ONE ISSUED BY HAMILTON. AND GOD FORBID ENOUGH MEMORIALS IN HAMILTON & THROUGHOUT CANADA, WHICH ARE TO THANK DEAD WARRIORS FOR THEIR EFFORTS, ALL ACCESSIBLE & SAYING IT ALL, HOWEVER PLEASE REFER TO THEM AS PEACE & NOT WAR MEMORIALS AS MOST VETERANS DO NOT ENDORSE WARS. FOR THE SPECTATOR PATRICK J. COLLINS PRESIDENT & THE EDITOR IN CHIEF MARYANNE MCNELLIS, PROBABLY NEITHER OLD ENOUGH TO HAVE BEEN IN THAT PERIOD, TO ALLOW THE CRIES OF MR ED NEWMAN TO BE PUBLISHED WITHOUT OTHER ALTERNATIVES IS NO BETTER THAN SHIT DISTURBING. IF WE HAD MONUMENTS FOR EVERY ACTION, BATTLE OR OTHER PHASES OF EVENTS DURING WWII, SUCCESSFUL OR NOT, WE WOULD REQUIRED AN ACRE PLOT OF LAND TO ERECT SUITABLE CAIRNS.

HOWEVER TO APPEASE THE CONSCIENCE OF MR ED NEWMAN & HIS LIKE. ALL POSSIBLY VERY NICE PEOPLE, WHY NOT INTRODUCE THEM TO THE 163 BRANCH LEGION CONCERNING THE EFFORT APPROVED FOR THEM, EXPLAINED IN THE SECOND COPY ENCLOSED, WHERE A BRASS PLAQUE WITH THE VARIOUS HEROES NAMES ON IT FOR DIEPPE BE ATTACHED TO THEIR MEMORIAL WHERE IT'S LOCATION COULD ACCOMPANY PARADES BY THE RHLI MEMBERS WHO STILL CARE, CAN ATTEND IN COMFORT WITHOUT CITY TRAFFIC, ON OR NEAR AUGUST 19<sup>TH</sup> EACH YEAR. WITH AN AT HAND PARKING LOT AND PLACE TO WET DRY THROATS.

IT MAY WELL NEED OUR MAYOR TO GET THE TWO PARTIES TOGETHER WHICH NOT ONLY COULD IT APPEASE EVERYONE BUT SAVE MONIES IN DOING SO.

CONCERNED VETERAN OF WWII & KOREA;-

Ronald A. JohnSon CD. (Major retired).

96 Larch Street,

Hamilton. Ontario.

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(905) 389 0400. MARCH 3<sup>RD</sup>, 1999.

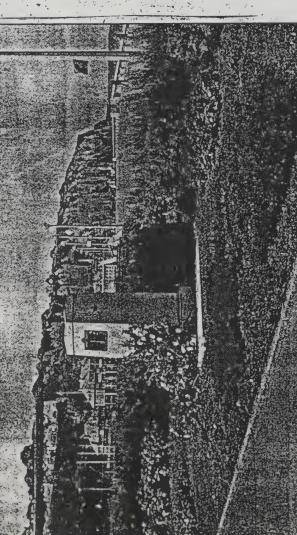
## OPINION OPINION

# The Hamilton Spectator

Monday March 1, 1999

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in early photograph of the monument at the Dieppe beach

Spectator file photo

### IFTTER

LETTER OF THE DAY

## Our lads died, but we have no monumen

RE: 'Tour visits Dieppe, Vimy Ridge' (Feb.

In reading Mary Nolan's travel column, I experienced a whole range of memories that came bubbling to the surface.

Her commerce on a guided tour of World War T battlefields, including Dienne, touched an emotional nerve in a

way I haven't felt in a number of years.

It has been 57 years (not the 47 in the article) since that terrible August 19, 1942, when so many Hamilton boys — most of whom I knew personally — lost their lives on that horrible beach.

The raid contributed mightily to the success of the eventual D-Day landings.

many lost young lives.

The Royal Hamilton Light Infantry struggled on their bellies over the bodies of their comrades until the order to evacuate finally came. Hundreds, never made it — the RHLI took brutal losses, as did many fine units from across Canada. Our Padre, John Foote, won the Victoria Cross that day

This was brought home to me by one comment in the column: "New monuments in and around the downtown indicate continued interest in the raid, and the Canadian cemetery there is a sobering monument to this historic event."

In France, and in other Canadian communities, there are many public monuments to our courage and sacrifice at Dienne

In Hamilton there are none.

This despite the deaths and capture of hundreds of Hamiltonians, who were born here, went to school here, yolunteered and trained here, and then said goodbye to their loved ones here for the hart than

I recall a plan in the 1960s to build just such a monument, but it was scrapped for some reason. It was to go where Jackson Square is now, and then later it was to go somewhere around city hall, but it was ob-

viously never built.

The French are eternally grateful for what our Hamilton lads did.

Other Canadian communities remember their Dieppe veterans, living and dead alike.

What do we in Hamilton have?

miniature of the monument that stands on the beach at Dieppe, this located in front of the RHLI Veterans Club rooms, bought and paid for in large part by those same veterans who stormed that same beach on that fatal day in August 1942.

Instead, we must travel to France to see the magnificent effort of our Hamilton soldiers recognized. Thousands of family members may never see recognition for those who died.

We have the War Memorial in Gore Park, to honour all those from the city who gave their lives in so many battles. However the slaughter at Dieppe was so horrendous that surely the memory of those who gave all they had merits some civic recognition.

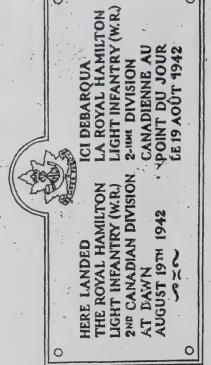
It was so bad the RHLI never again filled its ranks solely with Hamiltonians — the reinforcements came from everywhere to augment those few from Hamilton who came back. The event was so important it is known worldwide, but Hamilton has no official memory of it.

There are not than left now, and it's very hard for most of them to raise the money to visit France. Some could not endure the trip. Aside from that, it would be pleasant indeed to see plans for a monument in our community, maybe at City Hall, as originally planned.

We can't bring our friends back, but we could finally lay their souls to rest in their home town.

What do you say, Mayor Bob Morrow and councillors? It nearly happened once.

Ed Newman, Administrator, Royal Hamilton Light Infantry Heritage Museum, Hamilton.



Part of the inscription on the Dieppe monument

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### Wountain memorial approved

Mohawk College students to be involved in design for Legion parkette

By MARK NEWMAN Staff Writer

campaign to raise as much as \$20,000 for a new Mountain cenotaph and parkette is expected to begin shortly at Royal Canadian Legion Branch 163 on Limeridge Road at Upper Wentworth.

Regional council last week gave the Mount Hamilton branch the go-ahead to take over a small piece of vacant green space across the cul-de-sac at the end of Limeridge Road next to the legion building, near the west-bound on-ramp of the Line. The legion' plans to turn the space into a parkette that would include a cairn (a concrete monument), in memory of the Mountain's war-dead.

"The members are pretty happy about it," said Alex Clark president of the Mount Hamilton branch." We're going to have a campaign within the club."

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While the project was subject to ratification from legion members earlier this week, Mr. Clark said the design of the cenotaph and parkette will be opened to Mohawk College students with a monetary prize, possibly \$300, to the winner.

Mr. Clark said he would be in contact with college officials shortly to work out details of the contest.

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Catherine Rellinger, president of Mohawk College, feels the project is a great opportunity for the students.

"I think it's a wonderful concept," she said.

Mr. Clark said the parkette would include new trees, flower beds, benches and the flagpole from the legion's parking lot. The legion would cover the cost of construction and maintenance, he added.

The goal is to have the parkette installed by next summer. Mr. Clark said it will be used for Remembrance Day and other ceremonies to honor Mountain residents who have died in uniform.

Eventually, Mr. Clark would like to see the names of the Mountain's war dead inscribed on the memorial.

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that a CAIRN be placed in a Parkette erected in what has become a vacant cul-de sac FROM A WW2 NAVY & A KOREA WAR ARMY VETERAN: The conception is one of the better ideas happening to remember the services given living veterans. Further a place where small ceremonies can be held even though it the 11th month of every year. The annual loss is doing that anyway & The Cairn can may take a few veterans from the down town core at the  $\Pi^{th}$  hour, on the  $\Pi^{th}$  day of the result of placing entrance-ways into the Lincoln Alexander Parkway, cutting off by veterans in the Hamilton Mountain Area to their Country & where they can also remember lost comrades especially, those who did not have opportunity to become make one feel closer. It's of little matter whether maintained by City or Legion Limeridge Road,







